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At a Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends of Philadelphia and Vicinity, held at Fourth and Arch Streets, Philadelphia, by adjournments, from the twenty-sixth of Third Month to the Thirtieth of the same, inclusive, 1928.

In reports received from the several Quarterly Meetings, certain Friends were named as Representatives to this Meeting. All but nine of these attended one or more of our sessions. Reasons were given for the absence of four of those who did not answer to their names when called.

The Representatives were, from Philadelphia:—David G. Yarnall and others.

The Representatives reported in writing that they had met for the nomination of Clerks, and were united in proposing John D. Carter and Elizabeth B. Jones as Clerks, and Francis R. Taylor, Mary R. Williams, M. Albert Linton and Bertha M. T. Webster, as Assistants. The Meeting approved these nominations, and appointed the Friends named, to serve until their successors are chosen, next year.

The Committee on Arrangements made the following report. The Meeting approved the suggestions of the Committee. (For report, see page 119.)

The Standing Nominating Committee proposed Arthur N. Leeds, Olive R. Haviland, Caroline L. Nicholson, William F. Overman and Ethel M. Whitson, as a committee to embody the exercises which may spread over our Meetings during the week, in a Minute to be presented to our session on Sixth-day next. These names were approved.

A number of Friends from a distance met with us acceptably. Three of these, A. Neave Brayshaw and Frederick B. Sainty of England and Alfred Lowry from Paris, presented Minutes to the Meeting of Ministers

and Elders, held on Seventh-day last. These Minutes, also those for Clarence E. Pickett and Edith Newlin, and the Returning Minutes granted by the Meeting just referred to, were read in this Meeting.

A Minute issued by the Meeting of Ministers and Elders to our Friend Elihu Grant, now engaged in work in Palestine, and one for William W. Cadbury and his wife, Catherine J. Cadbury, who are visiting in England, were also read.

Among other Friends present were Arthur and Ellen Rowntree of York, England, Thomas J. Battey of Rhode Island, Henry V. and Anna Chase of Kansas City, Mo., and others, as follows:—

Partial list of visitors to all or some of our sessions:—

From England—A. Neave Brayshaw, Frederick B. Sainty, Arthur Rowntree and Ellen Rowntree.

From France—Alfred Lowry.

From Rhode Island—Thomas J. Battey, Arthur Perry, Emma F. Perry and Clara Browning.

Members of Five Years' Meeting—Chester Reagan, Rufus M. Jones, Wilbur K. Thomas, Edith Newlin, Lydia Y. McKinney, Rupert Stanley, Helen Stanley, Henry V. Chase and Anna Chase.

To all of these visiting Friends, and to others who may be present, the Meeting extended a warm welcome and an invitation to share in the concerns which may come up for our consideration.

The Committee on Incoming Letters reported that they had had received communications from Robert L. and Margaret T. Simkin in West China, from sixteen Yearly Meetings in this country, and from Meetings in London, Dublin, Scotland, Germany, Vienna, Paris, Australia, Japan, Syria and South Africa. The Committee presented seven of these letters almost in full, with shorter extracts from a number of others. These were read. Arriving at such a late date that they could not be included in the digest made by the Committee, were a radiogram from the Yearly Meeting of the Frankfurt (Germany) Labor Committee, (Arbeitsausschuss

Deutsche Jahresversammlung, Frankfurt), and a letter from Kansas Yearly Meeting of the Five Years' Meeting.

The Meeting deeply appreciated these messages from so many parts of the world, rejoicing in the growth of sympathetic understanding and pointing us to development of the spiritual life by communion with God, so that we may follow the leadership of His Spirit in service for our fellow men, in what may be new and untried ways. It was directed that such portions of the communications as may seem wise to the Committee, should be included in the printed Proceedings of this Meeting. (See page 100.)

J. Passmore Elkinton, who recently visited the Doukhobors in Western Canada, bearing a letter from the Representative Meeting, reported verbally regarding his visit, and transmitted the message given him to present to this Meeting. This message was one of unending thanks to us for helping them to find a refuge when they arrived in America, years ago. Their younger members also sent a message of greeting to our young Friends.

The Committee suggested that responses be made to Friends in France and to Japan Yearly Meeting, and a general letter issued to Friends in all lands.

The Committee, with the addition of J. Passmore Elkinton, were asked to prepare drafts of such papers, and also a letter to the Doukhobors, to be offered to a later session for consideration.

We were informed that Japan Yearly Meeting will soon be in session. The Secretary of this Meeting and the four Assistant Clerks were asked to prepare a cablegram of spiritual encouragement and fellowship, to Japan Yearly Meeting, to be submitted to a later session for consideration.

The Meeting decided to hold jointly the remaining sessions of the week.

Then adjourned to two o'clock this afternoon.

Afternoon Session, Second-day, Third Month, Twenty-sixth.

The Meeting assembled at the appointed hour.

The committee appointed this morning to prepare a cable message to Japan Yearly Meeting, offered the following:—

“Spiritual encouragement and renewed greetings of Christian fellowship.”

The Meeting approved this message and directed the Secretary to forward it to our Friends in Japan.

A digest of the Minutes of the Representative Meeting, arranged by the Secretary according to subject, was read. This Meeting warmly appreciated the faithful care given to a wide range of important subjects.

George M. Warner suggested that a Minute relative to capital punishment, be adopted by this Meeting, and proposed the following:—

Our special attention has been called to that portion of the Minutes of the Representative Meeting which deals with the efforts to secure the abolition of capital punishment in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. After due deliberation we cordially endorse this concern and recommend the presentation to the Legislatures of these States of a bill to enact the total abolition of the death penalty. We hold that it does not deter from crime, that it is wholly evil, and demoralizing to the community and contrary to the teachings of Christ.

This was approved as part of the Minutes of this Meeting.

Edward W. Evans expressed the view that there might be a service in this Meeting issuing a statement in regard to the basis for international relations. This view met with such approval that the following Friends were appointed to consider the matter further and, if way opens, to present to a later session a draft of such a statement:—Edward W. Evans, Francis R. Taylor, Stanley R. Yarnall, M. Albert Linton, Agnes L. Tierney and Anna Rhoads Ladd.

The following interesting report of the Indian Committee was received and read. The reading of the report

was followed by remarks from members of the Committee and by Elsie Scanandore, a former pupil at the Tunesassa School. The presentation of the service of the Committee, and its great needs and opportunities, called for the active interest and sympathetic support of this Meeting. (For report, see page 49.)

Then adjourned to two o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

Third-day, Third Month Twenty-seventh.

The Meeting assembled at the appointed hour.

The Committee appointed yesterday to prepare letters to various bodies of Friends, submitted the following, addressed to Friends in France. The Meeting approved the letter and directed that it be signed by the Clerks and Secretary, and forwarded promptly. (For letter, see page 113.)

The following report of the Extension Committee was received and read. The letter of the Extension Committee to Young Friends, mentioned in the report but not included as part of it, was also read. The Meeting deeply appreciated the useful service of this committee, and continued it, with the addition of Charles H. Haines, for a term of two years.

The Committee was authorized to add to its number as it may think wise. (For report see page 77.)

The Committee on Race Relations made the following report, in which they suggested that they be released and reconstituted in a way to enable them better to carry out the work which they see before them. The Meeting agreed to this proposal, and asked the present Committee to suggest the names of Friends to continue the work of past Committees on Race Relations or to take up new lines of service as they may open before them. (For report, see page 80.)

The Committee on Church Unity, appointed some years ago, made the following report. A letter from our Friend Alfred C. Garrett, who is prevented from attending our sessions by ill health, was also read. This expressed regret at his not being able to report in person in regard

to the recent Lausanne Conference on Church Unity. The letter served to call our attention to his earnest interest in the development of sympathetic understanding and unity in feeling between the different denominations. The Committee suggested that its membership be reviewed and enlarged. The Standing Nominating Committee was asked to submit to the Representative Meeting the names of Friends to continue the service of this Committee.

The Clerks were directed to write to Alfred C. Garrett, expressing our regret at his absence and hopes for a speedy recovery. (For report, see page 94.)

It was the judgment of this Meeting that a few Friends should be appointed to attend the coming Yearly Meeting, at Fifteenth and Race Streets, in Christian fellowship. To perform this service the following Friends were appointed:—George M. Warner, J. Henry Bartlett, Anna Rhoads Ladd, Mary Ogden Conard, J. Passmore Elkinton, Henry J. Cadbury and Jane W. Bartlett.

An invitation to send delegates to the Friends' General Conference, to be held Seventh Month 5th to 12th of this year, was received from the Central Committee of Friends' General Conference. This Meeting much appreciated the invitation. It was felt, however, that we could not send delegates to a Conference of which we were not members, but might properly send Fraternal Delegates. The Representative Meeting was directed to name Friends to attend this Conference as Fraternal Delegates.

Then adjourned to ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

Morning Session, Fourth-day, Third Month Twenty-eighth.

The Meeting assembled at the appointed hour.

The Fraternal Delegates to the recent sessions of the Five Years' Meeting, made the following report.

This Meeting was interested in their suggestions in regard to the duties of Clerks, and the method of making reports. The Clerks and Assistant Clerks were asked to

confer with the Committee on Arrangements in considering these matters, making report to our sessions next year, if in their judgment, some changes should be made in our practice. (For report of the Delegates to the Five Years' Meeting, see page 91.)

J. Passmore Elkinton spoke in regard to the proposed unofficial All-American Conference of Friends, to be held in 1929. We were asked to lend our individual support to the project. Many Friends gave expressions of sympathetic interest in the proposed conference.

The Representative Meeting informed our session on Second-day that the terms for which half of the Representatives of this Meeting in that body were appointed, expire next month. To propose the names of fifteen Friends to succeed those just referred to, in this service, the following were appointed:—Susan J. Dewees and others.

The Standing Nominating Committee proposed Edward Woolman to membership on the Indian Committee, in place of George Vaux, Jr., deceased. The Meeting approved this nomination.

Burlington and Bucks Quarterly Meeting requested that there should be a review of the Quotas to be paid by the several Quarterly Meetings. The Committee on Audit and Budget was asked to consider this matter and report, when prepared, to this body or to the Representative Meeting.

The Queries, with some of the answers from the Quarterly Meetings, were read, as far as the Sixth, inclusive. Summary answers were adopted.

Then adjourned to two o'clock this afternoon.

Afternoon Session, Fourth-day, Third Month Twenty-eighth.

The Meeting assembled at the appointed hour.

The remaining Queries, with some of the answers sent up by the Quarterly Meetings, were read. Summary answers to all the Queries were adopted. (For answers to the Queries, see page 20.)

A digest of the Educational Statistics from the several Quarterly Meetings was read. The whole number of Children between the ages of five and twenty years, as of First Month 1, 1928, was 906. The corresponding number one year ago was 884. (For Educational Statistics, see page 31.)

Subordinate Meetings were directed to forward similar information to our Meeting next year.

The Committee on Education made the following report. A communication was addressed to this Meeting by a conference on education recently held at Germantown. This was read with the report just referred to, so that consideration might be given to the entire subject.

The Meeting greatly appreciated the attention given by the Committee in the very important field under their care.

The Meeting approved in general of the proposed increase in the scope of the work of our Committee on Education, as proposed by the conference at Germantown.

The present Committee on Education was authorized to enlist the services of such other Friends as may appear to them wise, in considering how the new functions may best be assumed and discharged. (For report of Committee on Education, see page 25.) (For Communication from Conference, see page 30.)

The Mission Board submitted a report, which was read, reciting the varied service which had claimed their attention.

Edith Newlin, recently from Japan, spoke to us most feelingly regarding the situation and our work in that land beyond the sea. The Meeting was deeply impressed with the great value of the work of this Board, and felt a warm response to their appeal for continued spiritual and financial support. (For report of the Mission Board, see page 82.)

Then adjourned to two o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

Fifth-day Afternoon, Third Month Twenty-ninth.

The Meeting assembled at the appointed hour.

At the Meeting of Ministers and Elders, held on Third-day last, a Minute expressive of the concerns which had overspread that body, was adopted. It was directed that it be sent to our general session today. This Minute was now read by the Clerk of the Meeting of Ministers and Elders. (see page 17.)

The committee which was asked to prepare letters to various groups of Friends, informed that a Yearly Meeting in Cuba will begin its first session in a few days. The committee suggested that a message, either by cable or by letter, should be sent to them. The Meeting approved of this suggestion, and asked the committee just referred to, to prepare and submit to our session tomorrow, a cable message to our friends in Cuba.

As in previous years, the American Friends' Service Committee presented through two of their number, Rufus M. Jones and Wilbur K. Thomas, an impressive verbal account of their activities and interests. Many unexpected results had followed from the part taken by Friends of all kinds in doing what they could to heal the sore spots of the world. The American Friends' Service Committee feels that its greatest service is and should be a spiritual one, and that merely a beginning has been made in the work which lies ready to their hands in the service of our fellow men, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Committee to Co-operate with Young Friends made the following report. Attached thereto as part of it, was a statement addressed to this Meeting by the Young Friends' Executive Committee. This review of the many lines of activity carried on by our Young Friends, called forth many expressions of cordial sympathy and interest. The prospect of a few Young Friends attending the World Youth Peace Congress in Holland, was a matter of special interest and concern, calling for our whole-hearted support.

To continue the work of the Committee to Co-operate with Young Friends, the Standing Nominating Com-

mittee proposed Edward S. Bradley (Convener), Carrol T. Brown, Paul J. Furnas, Marian W. Harmer, Mary J. Moon, Francis R. Taylor and Mary B. Test. These names were approved. (For report of Young Friends' Committee, see page 71.)

The Westtown Committee presented a report, which was read. The good condition, in many ways, of the School which is so close to the heart of this Yearly Meeting, was very satisfactory. Much encouragement for the Committee and the officers of the School was given. Expressions by many Friends indicated our active, intense, and abiding interest in Westtown School. (For report of Westtown Committee, see page 33.)

The Peace Committee presented the following report, reviewing the wide range of their activity. The note of encouragement pervading the report, was very satisfactory to the Meeting. On the other hand, the sharpness of the conflict between pacific and militaristic ideas in various parts of the world, was felt to be a challenge to us to relax no effort in the cause which has long been one of our greatest concerns. (For report of the Peace Committee, see page 64.)

The committee appointed earlier in the week to prepare a statement on the basis of international relations, submitted a draft of such a statement. The Meeting cordially approved the views expressed therein. The Committee was asked to review the statement in order that a few suggested changes might be made.

Then adjourned to ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

Sixth-day, Third Month Thirtieth.

The Meeting assembled at the appointed hour.

The report of the Social Order Committee was read, giving a clear and interesting review of the many lines of activity which have engaged their attention. There was much expression of encouragement, and approval of the work of the Committee. Our attention was called to the need for us to take an advanced position in matters relating to the Social Order.

Herbert C. Barker, Hans Burkhard, C. Willis Edgerton and Mary T. Haines requested to be released from this Committee. These requests were granted.

The Committee was continued for a term of two years, with power to add to its numbers as may seem wise. (For report of Social Order Committee, see page 55.)

The statement on the basis of International Relations, referred to in our Minutes of yesterday, was submitted in revised form, again read, and approved. The distribution of the statement was entrusted jointly, to the Peace Committee and the Yearly Meeting's Secretary. (For statement, see page 96.)

The Committee preparing messages to other groups of Friends, suggested the following cable message to Friends in Cuba, mentioned in our Minute of yesterday. This message was approved and the Secretary was directed to forward it.

“Salutation in love of Christ to Cuba Yearly Meeting,
at your first session from sister Yearly Meeting,
Philadelphia, at our two hundred and forty-eighth
session.”

The Committee continued on Second-day to prepare letters to various bodies of Friends, submitted drafts of such, addressed to Japan Yearly Meeting, and to the Doukhobors in Canada. These were approved in substance. The Committee was asked to review them so that suggested changes might be made. The letter to Friends in All Lands was also read. In view of some divergence of sentiment in regard thereto, this also was referred back to the Committee for such revision as may appear wise.

The Clerks and the Secretary were directed to sign the letters, when in final form, on behalf of this Meeting.

For letter to Japan Yearly Meeting, see page 115.)
(For letter to the Doukhobors, see page 114.) For letter to the Friends in All Lands, see page 117.)

The report of the Committee on Audit and Budget, with that of the Yearly Meeting's Treasurer, was received, and read in part. The Meeting approved the recommen-

dations of the Committee, including the amounts allocated to the several Committees. (For report of Committee on Audit and Budget, see page 120.)

The following report of the Friends' Fiduciary Corporation was received, and read in part. The Meeting approved of the nominations made for the consideration of the Friends' Fiduciary Corporation, by the Standing Nominating Committee, in view of the decease of Mary Bacon Parke and George Vaux, Jr. The Friends nominated were Robert W. Balderston and Horace M. Burton. (For report of the Fiduciary Corporation, see page 87.)

The Special Nominating Committee appointed to name fifteen Friends to represent this Meeting in the Representative Meeting, proposed Charles D. Barton and others. These names were approved. (For Members, see page 126.)

The Standing Nominating Committee proposed the following names on the American Friends' Service Committee, Albert T. Bell and others. (For Committee, see page 132.)

To constitute the Committee on Arrangements (with the two Clerks and the Secretary), Isaac P. Miller (Convener), Julia C. Collins, John T. Emlen and Alfred G. Scattergood.

To audit the accounts of the Treasurer, and, after conference with him, to suggest a sum to be raised and the amounts to be allocated to the several committees, John B. Newkirk and others. (Jonathan M. Steere, Treasurer Convener, see page 132.)

To receive, acknowledge and examine the letters which may be addressed to this Meeting during the year, and to make recommendations relative thereto at our first session next year, Henry J. Cadbury (Convener), and others. (See page 132.)

This Committee was authorized to add to its numbers, as may appear wise.

All the names proposed for these Committees were approved.

The Committee appointed earlier in the week to suggest the names of Friends to constitute a Committee on Race

Relations, informed that they were not yet ready to submit names. It was understood that they would make nominations, when prepared, to the Representative Meeting for confirmation.

The several Quarterly Meetings proposed the following to constitute the Standing Nominating Committee for the coming year. These names were approved, J. Henry Bartlett and others. (For Committee, see page 132.)

A form of Minute which may be adopted by this Meeting relative to our attitude toward the prohibition of intoxicants and the legislation designed to enforce the same, was presented. This was referred to the Representative Meeting.

The Minute of Exercise prepared by the committee appointed for that purpose on Second-day, was read, and adopted as part of our Minutes.

The exercise of the Yearly Meeting has seemed to follow two distinct channels of thought: first, an out-reaching to other groups of Friends, other Christians and other races; and, second, the deep conviction that in building a more spiritual and united Quakerism, there must be a deepening of our own spiritual life.

Through the Minutes of visiting Friends and the Epistles from Meetings the world over, we were brought into a sense of fellowship with the larger Society of Friends, who like us, in the face of great tasks, are trying to find and to follow Christ's way of life.

As we considered the recent Conference of Christian Churches at Lausanne and the place which was given to our small delegation with its clearly defined position on the sacraments, there came a renewed challenge to us to take our place among the world's religious families. We need to intensify and deepen our own spiritual power as a Church of Christ, and at the same time to help break down the walls of rivalry, criticism and superiority which separate these families.

We rejoice that such a spirit of unity is growing in this Yearly Meeting, drawing us closer to all bodies bearing the name of Friends, and enabling us in the love of Christ to heal the wounds of a hundred years ago. May

this closer fellowship enable us to approach in all sincerity the same Father above in the authority, wisdom, and power of truth and unity of the blessed Spirit.

In the past our contacts with other races have been largely through institutions; the call now comes for sympathetic understanding growing out of personal friendship. We need to live in the spirit of that life which will break down the walls of race prejudice and lead us to truly regard all men as our brothers. To follow Christ's way is to be interested in people rather than in causes only.

In all our relations with men we need that virtue of compassion so beautifully illustrated in the life of Jesus. This love in action, pity raised to the uttermost, is the supreme virtue which will meet all conditions of poverty, suffering, and injustice wherever found. May this prayer prevail in all our hearts: "O God, help me to find Thee in other men as I find Thee in myself."

To really find God in other men, means first experiencing Him in our own lives. We must ourselves be enriched before we can give to others. We need to conserve the capacity for worship and to create in our Meetings an atmosphere from which worship naturally grows as the flower presses upward unto the sun. If emphasis be laid on creating this kind of atmosphere the right kind of ministry will develop.

Worship on the basis of silence has to be achieved; it does not come spontaneously. Education for its better use and appreciation cannot begin too early and commences in the home.

We seem to have time for everything but the cultivation of the habit of worship and yet there is no substitute for the pervasive subtle religious atmosphere of the Christian home which makes such worship a daily practice. It is here that the child first comes to know God and learns that He is very near, very easy to talk to and ever ready to answer.

Early in the week our attention was directed to an old exposition of the Church dating from the Thirteenth Century which is singularly appropriate to this day. There is Holy Church the Little, with its emphasis on

theological detail, and Holy Church the Great, with its vision of spiritual truth and its devotion to transmitting a spiritual message. In order to do the work of the Church of Christ we must have organization, and machinery. But behind every committee should be that divine life and light which alone transforms mere mechanism into spiritual power.

Jesus Christ has laid upon every member of this Meeting the responsibility to shepherd the flock, and our rich diversity of gifts, be they large or small, should be exercised fully in His service, both within and without the limits of our meetings.

We are not yet aware of the possibilities of the love of God and Christ in the hearts of men and in us. We are challenged to reconsecrate and rededicate ourselves to the will and service of God through which we may gain peace and satisfaction and power. If we have that which can take hold of life and change it, we have a tremendous message for the world.

Let us lay hold on the infinite power and love of God which lies about us and within us.

The Meeting concluded, to meet at the appointed time next year, if consistent with the Divine Will.

JOHN D. CARTER,
ELIZABETH B. JONES,
Clerks.

Minute of Exercise.

YEARLY MEETING OF MINISTERS AND ELDERS,
THIRD MONTH 27, 1928.

“And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues, like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.”

Very feelingly was this apostolic picture brought before us, and a tender appeal made that we should realize more fully than perhaps we do, how necessary it is to keep ourselves in touch with the unfailing power-house of God's strength. In many directions there are large expectations of service from us. These can be realized only as we surrender ourselves whole heartedly to the baptism of the Holy Ghost. It was the great Conference at Stockholm that recorded these impressive words: "In the presence of the Cross we have accepted the urgent duty of applying the Gospel in all realms of human life, social, industrial, political and international." Do we fully realize the import of these words, "in the presence of the Cross?" Are we prepared to make this searching religious experience of the Cross of Christ the impelling motive of our life and work?

Quite in consonance with this thought was the appeal for the prophetic Church. This appeal found expression at the great Lausanne Conference in these words: "But also and above all we need the prophetic Church, the Church of a new age, the Church of that Kingdom of God which is to be set up, on earth as in heaven, the Church which, whilst it awaits the eternal reign of God, shall be the unwearied builder of the social kingdom of Jesus Christ."

In Gospel phrase this is all embraced in the declaration of Jesus, "I have overcome the world." And for what purpose was this, if not to give us the overcoming power through His indwelling spirit? The Meeting was comforted with the prospect of some of its members serving in distant parts under the constraining love of God and they were thankful to welcome visiting Friends, whose exercises revealed the unity of truth in the disciples of our Lord, whatever their location may be.

The need of sympathetic understanding of the rising generation rests upon our hearts as among our most important responsibilities. The very fact that the young are so honest, that they cannot accept the deep things of experiences which they have not had, should be an earnest of hope. Upon the basis of this sincerity on their

part, we should aim to meet them with entire frankness and to put ourselves along side of them in a spirit of search. So will deep answer to deep and any sense of estrangement will be lost.

A moving appeal for a larger measure of sympathy from us, toward Friends in various parts, who especially have our point of view in regard to worship, met a large response in the Meeting. No mechanical effort of co-operation will meet this need. It should be accepted in unquestioning faith that the Master of Life will lead us forth, if in simplicity but with zeal we seek to know His will toward us in sharing the fellowship with which we have been so abundantly blessed.

Summary Answers to Queries.

First—

One small mid-week meeting has been discontinued. Another meeting in a country district has been suspended for three months by decision of the Monthly Meeting of which it is a part. A few other Meetings have been omitted. With these exceptions, our gatherings for worship and discipline have been held regularly.

On First-days, most of our resident members attend, with some who are not members with us. Mid-week meetings are usually much smaller. The presence at some of these meetings of children from our day schools, is felt to be both an inspiration and a source of responsibility. A note of encouragement in the matter of attendance at our meetings, is evident in a number of the reports.

First-day meetings have been held at Tuckerton, during part of the year, and appointed meetings at Barnegat, N. J., and at Parkerville, New Garden and London Britain, Pa.

With a few exceptions, the hour for gathering is well observed.

Our meetings frequently are occasions of spiritual communion and true devotion.

Many of our members manifest a willingness to take their share of responsibility and service in our meetings.

Second—

Our members generally seek to live in Christian love one toward another, to exercise a forgiving spirit, and to be careful of the reputation of others. We feel the need of guarding against careless or unkind criticism. Differences among us are apparently few. Efforts are made to end such as become known.

Third—

A waiting spiritual worship and a ministry which springs with fresh life and power from communion with the Holy

Spirit, are cherished and upheld by us as fundamental principles of our Christian faith. There is a general concern to encourage the use and growth of any spiritual gifts bestowed upon our members.

Fourth—

We believe that most of our members sincerely desire and endeavor to live the life of love and brotherhood which Christ exemplified and taught. Our ideal in this respect is, however, still far in advance of our best attainment. Through religious meetings, through our day and First-day schools in which many non-members are enrolled, by the distribution of literature, and in other ways, we seek to extend to others our message as Friends. We co-operate with others in community meetings, interracial and interdenominational conferences, social service, and work for peace and international understanding, all intended to further the spread of the Kingdom of God among men. We realize, however, that only as we grow in grace and humility can we fully understand what is implied in loving our neighbor as ourselves, regardless of race, creed or social position.

Fifth—

Friends generally are concerned to exemplify Christian simplicity and sincerity in their daily lives. Two reports express a fear that daily Bible reading is less frequent than formerly. Others indicate that the practice is a general one. One report notes an increase in such reading, especially among our youth. In recreations, many are careful to avoid those which are harmful to themselves or to others. A care is felt to guard against wordliness, self-indulgence and display.

With a few exceptions, we are clear of the unnecessary handling and use of intoxicants and habit-forming drugs. Many among us exert an active influence against their use by others, and in favor of the legislation designed to minimize the evils of the traffic in these harmful materials.

Sixth—

One report indicates that some Friends do not consider taking an oath in minor transactions to be as serious a matter as taking it in a public and formal manner. Otherwise, our testimony against oaths, bearing arms, and military training and service, appears to have been generally maintained. Many among us are active in promoting the cause of peace and good will. We avoid betting, lotteries, gambling, and deliberate speculation in business.

Seventh—

Friends are concerned to develop the religious lives of the children under their care, and to impress upon them the importance of good reading, wholesome amusements, and helpful association with others. In the home, in First-day schools, and in conferences, special meetings, fellowship groups, and other activities, a sincere effort is made to strengthen their religious lives, manifest the loving concern of the meeting for them and give them an understanding of the principles and practices of Friends.

Eighth—

We believe that our members generally endeavor to be punctual to their promises, just in the payment of debts, and honorable in all their dealings.

Many give liberally of their time and thought for the welfare of the community and to the affairs of the Church, at the same time striving to live lives of Christian simplicity and helpfulness in their families. One report states that some of their members have so many worthwhile interests that it is increasingly difficult to give enough time to opportunities for spiritual growth.

Answers to Supplementary Queries.

First—

Lydia A. Haines, an Elder of Upper Evesham Monthly Meeting, deceased Sixth Month 14, 1927, in the seventy-fourth year of her age.

Rachel A. Tatnall, an Elder of Wilmington Monthly Meeting, deceased Tenth Month 18, 1927, in her eighty-third year.

Mary Bacon Parke, an Elder of Uwchlan Monthly Meeting, deceased Eleventh Month 10, 1927.

S. Calvin Barker, a Minister of Birmingham Monthly Meeting, deceased First Month 2, 1928, in his eighty-first year.

Sarah H. Allen, an Elder of Chester (N. J.) Monthly Meeting, deceased Third Month 12, 1928, in the eighty-sixth year of her age.

Second—

No new Meetings have been established.

Upper Springfield Monthly Meeting, New Jersey, has been laid down and the members joined to Chesterfield Monthly Meeting, situated at Trenton, N. J.

Chester (N. J.) Preparative Meeting is now held once a year, in Fifth Month.

Third—

In a very few cases, Overseers' lists are not entirely complete. Otherwise the requirements of this Query have been met.

Fourth—

Friends who are in need of material assistance are relieved as the cases appear to require. Where necessary, they are helped in securing school education for their children.

Fifth—

Nine schools are reported as under the care of Preparative or Monthly Meeting committees. Another is cared for jointly by Monthly Meetings of both branches of Friends. The teachers are of the type indicated by the Query.

Sixth—

A concern is felt to deal helpfully and in a Christian spirit with any who may be delinquent in conduct, and to place righteous and charitable judgment when that becomes necessary.

Seventh—

The Queries have been read and answered in subordinate business meetings as directed. In a few cases, the reading of these and the Advices at a First-day meeting, has been overlooked.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Report of the Committee on Education.

To the Yearly Meeting:

Your Committee's report this year is in four parts:

1. Treasurer's Report.
 1. A few school statistics.
 3. Brief review of past year's work in our seven Yearly Meeting Schools.
 4. Some educational problems, the need of more active leadership by our Society in progressive education, and some hopes for the future.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Probable receipts and payments for the fiscal year 1927-28 as estimated by our Treasurer, Third Month 16, 1928.

Receipts.

Yearly Meeting's Appropriation.....	\$ 5,000.00
Interest.....	145.00
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Total Estimated Receipts.....	\$ 5,145.00

Payments.

For services of Supervisor, including secretarial, office and traveling expenses.....	\$ 3,168.00
Salaries and expenses of Special Teachers.....	1,614.00
Summer school expenses of teachers.....	500.00
Tests and measurements, health work in schools, expenses connected with teachers' meetings and miscellaneous expenses.....	594.00
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Total estimated payments.....	\$ 5,876.00

The payments exceed the receipts by \$731. At the beginning of the year our cash balance was \$480. It would thus appear that we shall have to draw upon the funds which are invested in bonds now having present market value of about \$3,125.

The Gift Fund which was established by a gift of \$10,000 in 1917 has now been completely used. A year ago the amount remaining in the Fund was \$340. This sum was used in making appropriations to two of our schools.

It has been evident from our report that the work of the Committee on Education is increasing not only in extent but also in quality. Five years ago in 1923 the Yearly Meeting's appropriation of \$5,000 amounted to approximately \$13 for each of the 388 children in the schools under its care. Today the number of pupils has grown to 470. On the same per capita basis this would necessitate a Yearly Meeting's appropriation of \$6,100.

For the coming school year the committee contemplates an expenditure of somewhat more than \$6,400. However, we request that the Yearly Meeting grant only the usual appropriation of \$5,000. This will mean, after taking account of our receipts from interest, that we shall have to draw upon our working balance to the extent of more than \$1300. At this rate the working balance at the end of our next fiscal year will approximate \$1500. This latter figure is about as low a one as we believe we should allow the balance to reach. We are firmly convinced that the work in the Yearly Meeting's schools is too important to be curtailed and therefore we anticipate asking the Yearly Meeting of 1929 to increase its appropriation to \$6,000.

We wish to refer first, to the Gift Fund mentioned in the Treasurer's Report. We hope that Friends have read the article by Olive R. Haviland on The Gift Fund, published recently in THE FRIEND, the last paragraph of which we quote as follows: "Has the Gift Fund been wisely spent? Are the generous donors satisfied with the work of the Committee? Are we justified in asking for more? Are there not some Friends today whose faith in childhood and in our Quaker schools is so great, that

other Gift Funds may continue to enlarge us? We ask in faith, nothing wavering."

Our Supervisor's Eleventh Month statistical report gives the following figures: 470 pupils and 55 teachers, including 18 special teachers. At the corresponding time last year our total enrollment was 418, a gain of 52 children. Of the 470 pupils, 79 are Friends and 15 have one parent a member. Of the 39 regular teachers, 16 are Friends.

There are 11 College graduates among our teachers, 16 graduates of Normal Schools or Kindergarten Training Schools and most of the others have had one or two terms of College work. At the time the data for this report was collected, Lansdowne School had 112 pupils, Atlantic City 103, Haddonfield 70, Fallsington 57, Frankford 52, Media 50, Downingtown 26. We now have more teachers and more pupils in our schools than ever before.

Additions to school plants have been made in two localities. A new room has been added to Downingtown's attractive school building. At Fallsington the local Committee purchased an old dwelling house across the road from the Meeting-house and remodeled it to meet the needs of a modern school.

The work of our committee in the various schools, is practically all done by our capable and efficient Supervisor, Margaret S. James, whose work covers such activities as—regularly visiting the schools, observing lessons and conferring with teachers on improving methods and materials: Occasionally giving demonstration lessons: Planning monthly teachers' meetings: Giving Achievement tests in the fundamental school subjects: Occasionally meeting with School Committees: Helping to secure new teachers: Arranging programs to promote international understanding.

Many opportunities of developing a feeling of good-will toward all nationalities are made use of.

A reception for the Japanese Friendship Dolls was held at Friends' Select School in which twelve Friends' Schools were represented by 500 children. The program included

original poems by the children expressing ideas of friendship and appreciation.

The children are already interested in the Good-will Project between the children of Mexico and of America. School bags are to be filled by our pupils with appropriate articles accompanied by letters and will be sent to the children of Mexico.

In varying degrees all our schools are working on the task of Health Education. General physical examinations are given to the pupils by a local physician. Hygiene is taught as part of the regular course of study with special emphasis on practicing individual and social health habits. Occasionally speakers from the National Dairy Council and from the educational department of Abbott's Dairy, visit the schools and present such subjects as the care of the teeth and problems of nutrition.

A circulating picture library for our schools has been established by the Committee. Thirty-two excellent color reproductions, mostly of old masters, were framed and distributed to the schools. Each group of pictures will move from one school to another, two or three times each school year. An interested friend has prepared an outline which is of great help in teaching a deeper appreciation of the Art in these pictures. We believe that the inspiration and uplifting influence of great pictures will be of value to our children.

Religious education should be a vital part of our curricula and cultivated throughout the whole of life. In order to further this aim, a more definite course in Religious Education has been worked out this past year. It aims to give definite instruction in a knowledge of the Bible, and suggests applications of Jesus' principles to life situations.

The Quaker attitude toward worship is expressed in the attendance of the mid-week meetings for worship in the community, and in the morning assemblies at the schools. Though our pupils are too young for a definite course in Quakerism, some of our teachers have been able to impart, simply and naturally, but we trust effectively, the fundamentals of Friends' belief. Some of our con-

cerned teachers are cultivating in their pupils' lives an evasive beauty, seldom seen by visitors, that can come only of the Spirit. Only into an environment that the teacher makes fitting for it, *can* the Spirit come.

We are still hoping that our younger members will in greater number come to our assistance in our need for Quaker teachers who have not only a background and inheritance of Quakerism, but also a clear vision of what it should mean and do today. For the conscientious effort and fine spirit of our teachers, both those who are members of our Society and those who have come to us from other denominations, we desire to express our appreciation and gratitude.

With the increasing emphasis now being placed on the importance of right attitudes and habits in the very early years of childhood, we feel that both our teachers and ourselves have a very heavy responsibility. Every sense impression however ugly or beautiful, produces an influence on the development of a child's personality. We believe that we should at least do as well as the best and if possible do a little pioneering as Friends once did. Modern school management endeavors to make school life for the children not so directly a preparation for real life, as an opportunity for living in the present. With the freedom for natural development that the present school-room gives we are hoping that our children's lives may not only be strong to meet the puzzling complexity of modern life, but also be richer and fuller and more sympathetic than ours have been.

In looking to the future we urge that still greater emphasis be placed on:—

Cultivating health habits.

Development of courage and ability for independent thinking and acting.

Appreciation of beauty in all its forms.

Opportunities for creative expression.

Learning by doing, as contrasted to the older method of learning by listening.

Development of group consciousness and consideration for others.

We recognize that not nearly every child can become a great student but we do believe that one important educational objective is to develop in pupils a desire to continue to study after they have finished school.

We believe that at one time Friends led in Educational methods and ideals. Let us hope that through greater efforts and consecration they may resume this leadership.

On behalf of the Committee,

EDWARD W. MARSHALL,
Chairman.

Third Month 16, 1928.

Recommendations to the Yearly Meeting.

Recognizing that at present there is some overlapping of organization and that some fields are not covered by any of our Boards in the educational field within the Yearly Meeting, and wishing to correlate our activities so as to make them as effective as possible; we recommend that the Yearly Meeting be requested by this conference now assembled, to consider enlarging the scope of its Committee on Education to include:

1. The continuance of its present work.
2. The fostering of the teaching profession among our members.
3. A quickening of the educational responsibilities and interests in the whole field of education from the nursery school through the university, including also various forms of adult education.

We recognize that with these increased duties the Committee may find it necessary to secure the services of an Executive Secretary, if money can be found for this purpose.

We further recommend that the Yearly Meeting instruct the Educational Committee to co-operate as far as way may open with Fifteenth and Race Street Friends.

We feel in making this proposal that it is exceedingly important that this new work of the Educational Com-

mittee, as outlined, should not in any way lessen the interest, activity, or responsibility of local committees.

We would suggest that the Educational Committee, with its scope thus enlarged be called the Council on Education.

Signed on behalf of the Conference held at Germantown, Third Month 17, 1928.

J. HENRY BARTLETT,
MORRIS E. LEEDS,
STANLEY R. YARNALL,
RICHARD M. GUMMERE,
BARCLAY L. JONES,
SARAH R. HAINES,
MARGARET S. JAMES,
JAMES F. WALKER.

Educational Statistics.

AS OF FIRST MONTH 1, 1928.

Whole number of children between 6 and 20 years, Phila. 162, Abington 171, Concord 248, Caln 38, Western 28, Burl. and Bucks 64, Had. and Salem 195.....	906
In schools under care of Monthly or Prepar. Meetings, Phila. 28, Abington 84, Concord 37, Caln 7, Burl. and Bucks 14, Had. and Salem 69.....	239
At Westtown Boarding School, Phila. 22, Abington 9, Concord 79, Caln 6, West- ern 4, Burl. and Bucks 10, Had. and Salem 34..	164
In other schools under care of Friends, Phila. 5, Abington 3, Concord 17, Burl. and Bucks 2, Had. and Salem 6.....	33
In colleges under care of Friends, Phila. 9, Abington 12, Concord 9, Western 2, Burl. and Bucks 1, Had. and Salem 10.....	43
Total in schools and colleges under care of Friends, Phila. 64, Abington 108, Concord 142, Caln 13, Western 6, Burl. and Bucks 27, Had. and Salem 119.....	479

Number in Public Schools,	
Phila. 48, Abington 21, Concord 59, Caln 20,	
Western 17, Burl. and Bucks 22, Had. and Salem	
45.....	232
In other schools not under care of Friends,	
Phila. 36, Abington 16, Concord 9, Western 1,	
Burl. and Bucks 4, Had. and Salem 5.....	71
In colleges not under care of Friends,	
Phila. 7, Abington 14, Concord 19, Caln 1, West-	
ern 2, Burl. and Bucks 5, Had. and Salem 10..	58
Total in schools and colleges not under care of Friends,	
Phila. 91, Abington 51, Concord 87, Caln 21,	
Western 20, Burl. and Bucks 31, Had. and Salem	
60.....*	361
Number considered too young to attend school,	
Phila. 1, Abington 2, Concord 9, Caln 1, Western 1,	
Burl. and Bucks 2, Had. and Salem 3.....	19
Number who have finished school,	
Phila. 3, Abington 7, Concord 6, Caln 3, Burl. and	
Bucks 3, Had. and Salem 7.....	29
Number temporarily out of school,	
Phila. 3, Abington 3, Concord 4, Western 1, Burl.	
and Bucks 1, Had. and Salem 4.....	16
Number about whom no information has been ob-	
tained,	
Had. and Salem 2.....	2
Whole number of children as above.....	906

Additional Information—

Children under 5 attending school,	
Phila. 5, Abington 9, Burl. and Bucks 1, Had.	
and Salem 3.....	18
Young men and women over 20 in colleges or technical	
schools,	
Phila. 19, Abington 15, Concord 32, Western 3,	
Burl. and Bucks 3, Had. and Salem 18.....	90
Total number of all ages attending colleges or Tech-	
nical schools,	
Phila. 35, Abington 41, Concord 59, Western 7,	
Burl. and Bucks 9, Had. and Salem 37.....	188

Report of the Westtown Committee.

The responsibility of administering the education of nearly two hundred and fifty young people is a great challenge to the Committee in charge. The concern of our forefathers for "a guarded religious education" has met a similar concern in our hearts and we have endeavored to provide in this generation a school that is well balanced in its physical, intellectual and spiritual elements.

The school opened last autumn with an enrollment of two hundred boarding pupils and forty-three day pupils. This was an increase of thirty boarding pupils over the year before and gives cause for encouragement, although eighteen places still remain vacant. The Committee wrestled carefully with the problem of admitting non-Friends and held a conference at Twelfth Street Meeting-house with those who prefer that admission to Westtown should still be limited to members of the Society. Finally, it was decided to extend the rules for 1927-28 to include children where one parent either is or has been a member of the Society, regardless of Yearly Meeting, but not to extend the privilege of admission to children who had no connection with Friends through their immediate family. This new ruling permitted the entry of six children who would not otherwise have been accepted.

There have been approximately forty inquiries regarding admission for children who cannot be accepted under the present rules. The parents of some of these applicants are ardently hoping that the Committee will soon remove the membership restriction. The question is still under discussion and a group of those who oppose the admission of pupils without Quaker heritage have been asked to study the situation and bring to the Admission Committee such suggestions as they feel might be helpful. Such a Committee under the leadership of Henry J. Cadbury is already under appointment. In the meantime the sub-committee on advertising is planning a campaign to try to present the advantages of a boarding school to as many potential pupils as possible who are now eligible under the present rules.

The committee feels that a great responsibility was laid upon it a year ago in regard to determining the admission rules, and it is anxious not to proceed hastily in this matter. Neither does it wish to delay what seems to some to be an imperative need for the proper progress of the institution. It is hoped that it will become more evident as time goes on just what course is really the right one to pursue. One thing both the Yearly Meeting and the Committee are firmly united upon, as was witnessed by the discussion last year, and that is, that we all want Westtown to be a genuine Quaker school devoted to simple Christian living and to high thinking. Whether this depends upon having a background of Quaker tradition in every member of the student body or whether the presence of a small percentage of non-members would serve as a wholesome challenge, remains yet to be proven.

The school's financial problem is largely one of maintaining a full enrollment and it was a satisfaction that the increase over last year made possible a balanced budget for the current year. As salaries are increased and equipment improved there must be either more pupils or more endowment to meet the added expense if the tuition is to remain as at present. In fact, before any program of enlargement is undertaken the old deficit of the post-war years now standing at approximately \$23,000 must be wiped out.

Certain physical improvements were made possible during the year by drawing upon a small unexpended balance from the Improvement Fund of 1919. In addition to this we have in various ways been generously remembered by our friends. The most notable gift to the school during the year was the Mary Hutton Biddle Memorial Library. This improvement has resulted in a marvelous transformation of the old library room into a place of charming beauty and comfort. More than that it radiates an atmosphere conducive to intellectual work. Instead of being frequently used for social and lecture purposes it is now reserved for reading only. We cannot help but think how Mary Ward and others would have enjoyed such a pleasant environment for their work in

years past and at the same time we can but rejoice in the enlarged opportunities for Jessie Gidley Carter in the present.

Various other gifts have added to the comfort and efficiency of the school. Among these have been the renovation of Committee-room A, the purchase of a moving picture machine, the further development of the arboretum and the Greenwood, and some improvements at the Farm House. In addition there have been generous contributions during the year toward lectures, scholarships and advertising. The Alumni Association also is constantly rendering most valuable assistance in many lines. The helpful activities of the various Alumni Committees cannot be recited here, but the bird exhibits being added by the Committee on Science and Museum are unique. These are being housed in the new room under the Mary Hutton Biddle Library and are well worthy of a visit from any who have not seen them. We feel deeply grateful for the interest so generously expressed in all these diversified ways.

The matter of health has received a good share of attention during the year and at one of the meetings of the Mothers' Council various school officers were invited to speak on this subject. One specific thing in this connection has been the installation of a filtration and disinfection plant in the swimming pool. This is now in successful operation and with proper care keeps the water clean and sterile at all times. Swimming is an important winter sport in these days, secondary only to the outdoor sports such as skating, coasting and skiing, which make an even larger contribution toward the enjoyment and vigor of the school family.

A Frigidaire machine has replaced the old refrigeration plant. This is not only a step toward convenience and economy but also a step toward the better care of food. The vegetables from the garden; fruit from the orchard; and milk, potatoes and eggs, from the farm still continue to make their contribution toward a wholesome diet.

The farm has been more prosperous than for several years past. A good crop year coupled with the energetic

efforts of those immediately in charge of the work has brought encouraging results. Unfortunately this year's tuberculin test resulted in the loss of twenty-seven of the milking herd, but the \$1300 loss thus sustained has been made up and the books as closed on Third Month first, showed a net profit of \$186. Bank loans have been reduced during the year, the total indebtedness in this department now amounting to \$13,000.

The orchard has not been so successful. There was a short crop of winter apples, and the fruit inventoried at the time of last year's report did not sell for what was expected and as a result there has been a loss of \$4340 for the year. It has been necessary not only to borrow the normal sum for carrying expenses until harvest, but, in addition, loans to cover last year's deficit have been necessary. The department has, at present, an indebtedness of \$7500.

On the intellectual side Westtown has endeavored to set an increasingly rigorous standard in order to give our boys and girls a thorough foundation upon which future attainments may be based. A large percentage of our graduates go on to college and their progress is gratifying. Thirty-two pupils took the College Board Examinations last Sixth Month with a degree of success which compared favorably with those of previous years.

In this day when we are striving to prepare each pupil to make his best contribution to the world it seems necessary for Westtown to offer two courses of study, one the College Preparatory, designed to get pupils ready for College Board Examinations; and the other the General Course which prepares for some colleges but at the same time gives a wider range in the subjects which pupils may elect. Incidentally this means increased teaching and consequently increased expense. The Committee has made a study of the teaching costs as compared with those in some other schools and a still more thorough investigation of our curriculum and teaching methods is to be undertaken during the coming spring by Prof. Bancroft Beatley of the Harvard Graduate School of Education. It is, of course, the intention of the proposed

survey to look first toward increased efficiency, rather than toward a reduction of cost, as much as we would welcome the latter. Our first concern is to help every pupil under our care to come to the fullest development of his latent powers.

Our faculty are constantly reaching out for advanced study and broader intellectual training. Last summer five of our teachers were at Columbia, four at Harvard, two at the University of Pennsylvania, one at Cornell, and one spent the summer abroad. Such training, we believe, will react favorably upon the intellectual standards of the school.

The chief reason for Westtown's existence is the development of Christian character. It is the concern of those who support the school that the children under their care may be placed in an environment conducive to this development. The parents are desirous that their children become rooted in the truth, that they come to evaluate properly the things of life and that they be led out into larger service. This is a difficult program for any school, however favorable its environment and heritage, and yet it is this larger development of personality toward which we are constantly struggling. How well our efforts have succeeded it is sometimes difficult to say, but we can at least sow the seed.

Through a study of the Bible, meetings for worship, lectures, and through the association secured in the close contact of community life an endeavor is made to foster spiritual appreciations. The meetings for worship offer an opportunity perhaps not fully realized. It is most important that our boys and girls experience meetings that are times of true spiritual fellowship and devotion. Where so large a number of young people are present vocal ministry in some variety is much to be desired. Many of our meetings are favored occasions. Faculty members and others make acceptable contributions, but young life is particularly sensitive to new voices and to new points of view. It is hoped, therefore, that those who have special gifts in speaking to young people will have the needs of Westtown meeting on their hearts and

that they will be responsive to divine calls to come and join the school in worship.

Almost as important as the meeting hour is the daily association with teachers who have found for themselves some of the richer values in life, and who have the ability in some measure to inspire those with whom they come in contact. We are fortunate in having a good share of such persons, both men and women. Our staff has been carefully selected and when successful teachers have been found we have tried to encourage them in every way that will increase their efficiency. Equipment is important, but personality is paramount.

While the intellectual and spiritual life which we so much wish to foster in the present and for the future, is chiefly dependent upon the intellectual and spiritual quality of the teaching force, the school is but a part of the larger life of the whole Yearly Meeting and the pulsations of that life should be felt in a way that will sensibly contribute to the growing prosperity of the Society of Friends.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the Committee,

J. HENRY BARTLETT,
Chairman.

GRACE W. BLAIR,
Secretary.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

It is a pleasure to report that two Friends have given \$10,000 to the School, the income from which is to be used for a purpose to be designated, in the near future, by them. There has also been received a legacy of \$2000 bequeathed by the late Caspar T. Sharpless, for general purposes; and an addition of \$1733 to the sum of \$3500 reported last year as constituting the bequest of Elizabeth F. W. Russell, also for general purposes.

It is appropriate, also, to report that, during the past two years, the Classes of 1902, 1919, and 1920, have completed their subscriptions of \$1000, each to the Endowment and Improvement Fund raised in 1919.

As usual, a statement, in detail, of the income and operating account of the School, for the year ended Sixth Month 30, 1927, is appended to this report. This statement indicates that (exclusive of the Farm and Orchard Departments) the operating account was balanced for the year after using from the Improvement Fund of 1919 the sum of \$3015.50 for Scholarship purposes—a better showing than was anticipated, as the budget had authorized an appropriation of \$8000 from the Improvement Fund, for Salaries and Scholarships.

The accounts of all departments, as well as the securities have been audited by certified accountants.

The budget for the present year, ending Sixth Month 30, 1928, is balanced without drawing upon the Improvement Fund, and without the necessity for voluntary contributions other than those for scholarships.

The estimated cost of operation is now \$182,000 per year, or about \$900 per boarding pupil. Of this \$900, the fixed charge of \$550 is paid either by parents and guardians of pupils, or by Scholarship Funds, Monthly Meetings, or other sources; and the remaining \$350 is provided by the income from Endowment, Yearly Meeting appropriation, etc.

This approximate cost of \$900 per pupil represents present cash outlay only. Should a comparison be made with the cost of running a private boarding school, without endowment, it would be necessary to include, also, capital charges and depreciation. If this were done the total cost per pupil would probably exceed \$1200.

As already stated, the present charge for board and tuition is \$550. In 1921 it was increased from \$300 to \$400, and in 1926 from \$400 to \$550. In the year 1920-21, when the charge was \$300, the School received from parents and guardians, in round figures, \$47,000 and from scholarship sources \$14,000, making \$61,000 paid for board and tuition. In the current year it is estimated that the School will receive from parents and guardians \$81,000, an increase over 1921 of \$34,000, and from scholarship sources \$31,500, an increase over 1921 of

\$17,500, making \$112,500 paid for board and tuition this year.

Appendix to the Report of the Westtown School Committee.

OPERATING ACCOUNT.

For the Year Ended Sixth Month 30, 1927.

Income.

Amount received for Board and Tuition, including Income from the Scholarship Funds (Charge, \$550.00 per pupil)	\$ 93,904.83
Income from the General Purpose Funds	18,215.40
Income from Salary Funds, and Income from other Funds appropriated for salaries	30,638.84
Income from Funds, appropriated for other specific purposes	13,662.79
Appropriations from the Alumni Association, for special purposes	871.58
Yearly Meeting Appropriation	7,500.00
Contributions for General Operating Account	76.98
Contributions for Special Purposes (actually used)	3,603.23
Dividend from the Farm and Dairy (see foregoing Report)	0.00
Dividend from the Farm House	0.00
Income from the Orchard Department (Rent of Old Orchards)	297.30
Miscellaneous Receipts	736.99

Actual Income \$169,507.94

Add the estimated value of Board and Living Quarters, furnished to Officers, Teachers and Employees 23,177.96

\$192,685.90

Expenditures.

(Each item, including the estimated value of board and living quarters, if any, furnished to Officers, Teachers and Employees, as part of their compensation.)

Officers, Teachers and Secretaries.....	79,961.22
Office Supplies, Financial Expenses and Audits	5,002.82
Real Estate Maintenance.....	12,718.28
Taxes.....	3,773.94
Fire Insurance.....	3,371.27
Heat, Light and Water.....	15,432.25
Laundry Operation, less Receipts.....	2,200.62
Kitchen and Dining-room Supplies and Service	40,705.95
Housekeeping Supplies and Service.....	8,236.87
Physicians, Nurses and Medical Supplies.....	4,336.61
School Supplies (including Bacon Cottage)...	1,305.40
Campus, Gardens and Greenhouse, less Credits	6,892.63
Library, Magazines and Newspapers.....	411.95
Transportation, net.....	3,314.21
Teachers Retirement Fund.....	748.82
Interest on Money Borrowed, (less interest on Bank Deposits).....	14.15
Disbursement of Auxiliary Funds and Special Contributions.....	5,912.92
Liability Insurance and Sundry Expenses....	1,361.49

Total Operating Cost, exclusive of Farm Operation, (including the estimated value of Board and Living Quarters furnished to Officers, Teachers and Employees, viz., \$23,177.96).....\$195,701.40

Operating Expenses as above.....\$195,701.40
 Operating Income as above.....192,685.90

Operating Deficit (exclusive of Farm).....3,015.50

This, however, is the deficit shown, without including as income any portion of two appropriations, made by the Committee and included in the Budget adopted prior to

the beginning of the School Year, viz., an appropriation of \$4,000 from the Improvement Fund, for scholarships, and an appropriation of \$4,000 from the same Fund, for salaries. Of these two appropriations, only the precise amount required to cover the above deficit of \$3,015.50 has actually been used in closing the books, (\$562.52 principal, and \$2,452.98 income, of the Improvement Fund).

The operating deficit for the year is therefore cancelled on the books; and the accumulated deficit for operating the School during the nine post-war years, ending Sixth Month 30, 1927, (exclusive of farm) remains the same as one year ago, viz., \$23,237.66.

Average attendance of Boarding Pupils.. 168

Average attendance of Day Pupils..... 43

Westtown School Farm and Dairy Department.

Summary for Fiscal Year Ended Second Month 29, 1928

DEBITS.

This Department is charged with the Personal Property on hand as per inventory and appraisement Second Month 28, 1927.

Live Stock:—

Cattle	113.....	\$ 19,805.00	
Horses	4.....	400.00	
Mules	2.....	150.00	
Chickens	738.....	1,589.25	
Day old chicks	1110.....	234.25	
Eggs in incubator	6400.....	384.00	
Hogs	59.....	1,287.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 23,849.50
Feed Supplies.....			4,744.45
Equipment and Supplies.....			9,488.67
Eggs on Hand.....			32.90
Crops in Ground.....			269.80
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			\$ 38,385.32

Accounts Receivable.....\$ 1,469.84

And charged with the following Cash expended.

Cattle.....	\$ 3,441.54
Labor (including Threshing, \$31.05).....	13,415.03
Taxes.....	705.03
Ford Truck Expense.....	302.57
Hauling Potatoes.....	70.00
Milk Hauling.....	461.60
Feed and Bedding (Horse and Dairy).....	5,974.96
Real Estate Maintenance (including Carpenters).....	2,183.71
Fertilizer and Seed.....	2,301.87
Chickens, Feed and Equipment.....	5,637.61
Hogs, Feed and Equipment.....	474.15
Barn and Creamery Supplies and Equipment.....	496.18
Machinery and Tools.....	891.08
Interest on Loans.....	646.02
Rent—Edgerton Land.....	500.00
Fire and Casualty Insurance.....	738.60
Sundries.....	604.69
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	\$ 38,844.64
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	\$ 78,699.80

CREDITS.

Proceeds of Live Stock during the year.....	\$ 5,737.13
Sales of Milk and Cream	
School.....	\$ 7,029.80
Farm House.....	1,364.40
Other Sales.....	11,195.72
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	\$ 19,589.92
Sales: Produce—	
Chicken Account.....	8,811.82
Hog Account.....	2,180.25
Other Sales.....	4,950.70
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	\$ 15,942.77

Brought Forward.....	\$	15,942.77
Sales of Feed, Fertilizer and Seed.....		832.25
Rent—		
Edgerton Farm.....	390.00	
House in Field.....	100.00	
	—————	\$ 490.00
Taxes: Refund from Orchard.....		32.18
Use of Truck.....	75.00	
Sale of Truck.....	25.00	
	—————	\$ 100.00
Miscellaneous Receipts.....		42.48
		—————
	\$	42,766.73

With the following Personal Property on hand at the end of the Year, as per Inventory and Appraisement Second Month 29, 1928.

Live Stock—

Cattle	90.....	\$ 16,905.00
Horses	6.....	500.00
Mules	1.....	125.00
Chickens	956.....	1,995.00
Young Chickens	1833.....	379.85
Eggs in Incubators	7800.....	468.00
Hogs	40.....	800.00
		—————
		\$ 21,172.85
Feed Supplies.....		5,073.35
Equipment and Supplies.....		7,994.60
Eggs on Hand.....		66.45
Crops in Ground.....		369.80
		—————
		\$ 34,677.05
Accounts Receivable.....		1,442.47
		—————
		\$ 78,886.25

SUMMARY FOR YEAR ENDED SECOND MONTH 29, 1928.

Operating Expenses.....	\$ 35,217.30
Real Estate Maintenance, Taxes and Insurance.....	3,627.34
Decrease in Inventory.....	3,735.64
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	\$ 42,580.28
Deduct Operating Receipts.....	42,766.73
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Operating Gain.....	\$ 186.45
Inventory Value of Live Stock, Equipment and Supplies.....	\$ 34,677.05
Accounts Receivable.....	1,442.47
Amount of Money Borrowed.....	13,000.00

Westtown School Orchards.

Operating Account for Fiscal Year Ended
Second Month 29, 1928.

DEBITS.

This Department is charged with the Real and Personal Property on hand, as per Inventory, Second Month 28, 1927.

Real Estate (Improvements).....	\$ 15,562.32
Equipment.....	1,236.49
Farm Produce.....	270.00
Horses.....	215.00
Orchards.....	8,862.89
Auto, Tractor and Truck.....	2,792.00
Forests (no Inventory).....	
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	\$ 28,938.70
Accounts Receivable—Forests.....	194.77
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	\$ 29,133.47

Brought Forward.....\$ 29,133.47

And charged with the following Cash Expenditures.

Auto and Truck Equipment.....	192.00	
Equipment—Additions.....	197.47	
Horses.....	90.00	
Improvements—Wiring Wilson House.....	169.46	
Investments—Fruit Growers.....	3,460.00	
Ford Expense.....	119.99	
Ford Ton Truck.....	223.33	
Farm Produce.....	3.26	
Interest.....	268.23	
Labor and Management.....	6,184.20	
Orchard—Replacement Trees and Expense		
Shipping Apples.....	10.83	
Supplies.....	1,953.01	
Teams—Expense.....	232.15	
Tractor Expense.....	441.54	
Truck, Mack.....	209.32	
Taxes.....	149.65	
Insurance—Fire and Casualty.....	50.81	
Rent—		
Orchard Land.....\$	800.00	
Old Orchards.....	450.35	
		1,250.35
Forests—Taxes and Wages.....		94.44
Miscellaneous Expense—		
Road Loan.....\$	25.00	
Repairs.....	47.07	
Bookkeeping.....	100.00	
Christmas Dinners.....	9.60	
Telephone.....	83.87	
Current.....	33.56	
Sundries.....	3.30	
		\$ 302.40
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		\$ 15,602.44
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		\$ 44,735.91

CREDITS.

This Department is credited with the following:—

Sales—

Farm Produce.....	245.44
Orchards.....	\$ 9,270.09
Old Orchards (Apples furnished School).....	447.35
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	\$ 9,962.88

Sundries—

Labor.....	9.30
Interest.....	99.70
Telephone.....	19.47
Supplies Sold.....	172.22
Trucks—Ford 2.00 and Mack 53.16.....	55.16
Forests.....	2.25
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	358.10

And with the following Real and Personal Property on Hand at the end of the year:—

First Planting to Profit.....	3,598.33
Investments.....	5,000.00
Improvements.....	15,731.78
Equipment.....	1,079.00
Horses.....	130.00
Auto-Tractor-Truck.....	2,589.00
Supplies.....	308.65
Orchards—Fruit Inventory.....	1,125.00
Credit in West Chester.....	\$ 1,000.00
Apples in Old Mill.....	125.00
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Farm Produce.....	225.50
Forests.....	89.50
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	\$ 29,876.76
Accounts Receivable (Forests).....	\$ 197.46
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Total Credits.....	\$ 40,395.20
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Total Debits.....	\$ 44,735.91
Less Total Credits.....	40,395.20

Loss in Operation.....	\$ 4,340.71
Loss taken in Inventory of Second Month 28, 1927, in West Chester..	2,701.17

Actual Operating Deficit.....	\$ 1,639.54
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SUMMARY FOR YEAR ENDED SECOND MONTH 29, 1928.

Operating Expenses.....	\$ 11,172.98
Improvements.....	169.46
Investments.....	3,460.00
Rent to School (Accounts Payable).....	800.00
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	\$ 15,602.44

Operating Receipts.....	10,320.98
Increase in Inventory and Accounts Receiv- able.....	940.75
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	\$ 11,261.73

Loss in Operation.....	4,340.71
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Loss in Inventory of Second Month 28, 1927, Apples in Storage, included in above loss..	2,701.17
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Report of Indian Committee, 1928.

The members of your Indian Committee come to you again under a deep sense of their problem and responsibility. The problem is to retain in our Indian work all that has proved helpful in the past, and yet to adopt new methods where needful to meet the changing needs of the present. The responsibility is to carry forward faithfully the oldest project of organized missionary effort supported by Philadelphia Yearly Meeting.

Two fields of labor engage our interest: the one among the Indians of New York and northern Pennsylvania, centreing at Tunesassa School; the other among several tribes of Indians in Oklahoma. The latter work is under the supervision of the Associated Executive Committee of Friends on Indian Affairs, composed of delegates from many yearly meetings.

While our part in the Oklahoma work consists chiefly of contributing funds and appointing delegates to the annual meeting, yet the Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer of the Associated Executive Committee are at present, and have been for a number of years, members of your Committee. Thus a large share of the administrative responsibility for this work rests with Philadelphia Friends.

During the past year the results in the several centres of the Oklahoma field have been encouraging. The Osage Indians contributed about \$5,000 to the enlargement of their meeting-house, which is now of ample size to meet the needs of the community. The contribution by the Indians themselves is a happy fulfilment of our desires for their co-operation. In recent weeks, also, there has come to us the report of a religious meeting, in which there was a real outpouring of the Spirit of God upon the Indians. We now crave more than ever an endowment of wisdom and love for our work among these Osages, who are so rich in the outward things of life, and yet so poor in the inward things that alone make life worth living.

The new meeting-house at Wyandotte is under construction and your committee has recently made a special contribution of five hundred dollars toward it. It is being built in a strategic location near the government Indian School, among the students of which our two devoted workers at Wyandotte have large opportunity for Christian service.

Turning to the nearer field, in western New York, we wish first to record our appreciation of the loving and effective labors in recent years of Aaron S. and Eva S. Edkin, at Tunesassa. It was with a deep sense of loss that we saw them leave the school at the end of the last academic year. Their sympathetic understanding of the Indians, young and old, and their considerate care of the school family have done much to increase the respect of the community for the Quaker school. Aaron Edkin's management of the farm should also be mentioned. While it was not his most important contribution to the work, it was surely most beneficial from a financial standpoint, and a needed practical demonstration to the Indians.

M. Vernon and Katherine Finch are now acting as Superintendent and Matron, and are showing unselfish consecration to their work. We are thankful for their service of love.

The school is full to capacity and there is a waiting list of some length indicating a wholesome appreciation of the institution among its patrons. Nearly all of last year's graduating class expected to go on to higher schools and took the Regents Examinations with that purpose in view. We hope and believe that the teaching standards of the school are each year raised to a higher level.

The Indian is not spectacular and his progress is usually slow. Yet we have reason to believe that the forward movement is steady and sure. The visitor in the classes now has practically no difficulty in hearing and understanding the pupils. In conversation they are now almost as responsive as our own children which is a decided step in advance.

At last our playshed is about to be started. The money is mostly in hand, and the plans are well under way. We

expect to use the shed also for drying clothes, thereby giving us room on the third floor of the school for an infirmary which has been much needed.

At present we are using the rent secured from the cottage to pay the salary of one of our workers. Rather than divide our force between the school and the cottage we have thought it best that our workers should all live under one roof. In this way the family is able to co-operate to better advantage.

The school lost one of its most enthusiastic Indian supporters in the death of William C. Hoag, President of the Seneca Nation. His influence on the Indians was always toward better things. He was a fine type of civilized Indian and a forward-looking leader of his people. Some of us will never forget his last visit to the school in Fifth Month, 1927, when, enfeebled by a stroke and unable to express himself as he wished, he showed nevertheless by his shining face, his lively interest in all that concerned the school.

Since Henry B. Leeds gave up the position of Visitor on the Reservation the Committee has given much thought to finding a person for this work, who could carry to the Indians in their homes our message of love and good-will. We are now fortunate in having Hedwig Nabholtz, a member of Fourth and Arch Streets Monthly Meeting, living at the school and performing this duty in a way most pleasing, both to the Indians and to us. She is also a very acceptable member of the school family, where she has a valued influence upon the children and the staff. To quote from a recent letter from one of the Indian women: "That Swiss lady has been here twice to visit us. We think she is real nice and does tell interesting things. We visited like old friends and we had a lot to ask each other. She is so interested in the children at the school."

The loyalty of the older Indians to the School is most touching and humbling. As they sit around in the Family Parlor on First-day, or in their own homes when we call, and ask about the workers or Committee Friends they have known in the past, we feel deep desires that we may be

as faithful in our day as were the devoted Friends of other years.

When we think of the condition of the Seneca Indians in 1798, when Joshua Sharpless, John Pierce, and other Philadelphia Friends visited them, we realize that our work among these Indians since that day has not been without the blessing of our Heavenly Father. We remember also that among the Indians of Oklahoma are the descendants of the tribes who once forged a covenant chain of friendship with William Penn, "a chain that should never rust nor break, but remain bright and strong as long as the sun shines in the heavens." After some of these Indians had been removed west of the Mississippi River by the Government one of their chiefs spoke as follows to a Committee of Friends sent to visit them: "Our brothers the Quakers told us that we were going far to the west, but they said that the arms of our brothers the Quakers would still be able to reach and assist us. . . . This is what our brothers told us and now it appears they have not forgotten us."

The Indian Committee of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting is glad to be able still to reach out the hand of fellowship and help to the Indians east and west who have so long trusted "the children of Onas" as they lovingly called the followers of William Penn. May the members of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting experience a renewed conviction that this work for our Indian brothers is a precious heritage, a sacred trust, a continuing responsibility. May we remain faithful in the great concern laid upon us by George Fox, the founder of our Society, which he expressed in a letter to Friends in America shortly before his death: "Let your light shine among the Indians . . . that ye may answer the truth in them, and bring them to the standard and ensign that God hath set up, Christ Jesus."

On behalf of the Committee,

ARTHUR L. RICHIE,
Chairman.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Balance on Hand First Month 1, 1927:—

In hands of Treasurer,

For General Purposes..\$ 375.92

For Play Shed..... 1,150.00

\$1,525.92

In hands of Business Manager..... 708.10

\$2,234.02

Appropriation of the Yearly Meeting..... 5,000.00

Income from Investments and Trust Funds... 1,670.72

Income from T. Wistar Brown Teachers' Fund. 675.00

From the Emlen Institution..... 1,600.00

Donations—

General Purposes..... 4,310.36

For Associated Executive Committee of
Friends on Indian Affairs..... 35.00

For Play Shed at Tunesassa..... 1,025.00

Farm and Dairy, Including Value of Farm Prod-
ucts used in the Family..... 12,636.06

Investments Paid Off. 3,600.00

Incidentals..... 84.06

Rent..... 20.00

Interest on Deposit Account..... 38.13

\$32,928.35*Payments.*Associated Executive Committee of Friends on
Indian Affairs

For General Purposes.....\$2,000.00

Special Donations..... 35.00

For a New Meeting-house at Wyan-
dotte..... 500.00

\$2,535.00

Tunesassa Expenses:

Salaries..... 6,121.40

Farm and Dairy..... 8,657.41

Family Expenses, Including Farm and Dairy	
Products used in the School.....	5,343.13
Books, School Supplies, and Expenses.....	342.00
Heat, Light and Water.....	1,055.27
Repairs and Improvements.....	1,025.93
Insurance.....	664.64
Taxes.....	52.45
Furniture for Cottage.....	112.50
Investments.....	3,512.75
Accrued Interest on Investments.....	58.11
Incidentals.....	10.00

Balance on hand First Month 31, 1928:—

In hands of Treasurer,	
For General Purposes.....	\$1,134.36
For Play Shed.....	2,175.00
In hands of Superintendent at Tune-	
sassa.....	128.40
	<hr/> \$ 3,437.76
	<hr/> \$32,928.35

JONATHAN M. STEERE,
Treasurer.

Auditors' Report:—

We have examined the report of the Treasurer of the Indian Committee and find it to be correct.

AARON S. EDKIN,
S. FRANCIS WALTON,

Auditing Committee.

Third Month 12, 1928.

Report of Social Order Committee.

To the Yearly Meeting:

Since its appointment a year ago the Social Order Committee has somewhat reorganized its work. The resignation of Edith C. Moon as part-time Executive Secretary and the need to reduce expenses led to certain changes. J. Howard Branson accepted the position of Vice-Chairman and Secretary and has given generously of his time in managing our office and overseeing the work of our part-time office secretary. To make this arrangement possible, it was necessary to move our headquarters nearer Howard Branson's place of business, and we secured office space at 1417 Locust Street.

Sub-committees were organized and have functioned as follows:—

Rural Problems Committee—Joseph Barton, Chairman.

This Committee is co-operating with the Race Street Friends whose Committee is outlining a plan of work on rural problems for the coming year.

Committee on Friends' Social Work—Arthur Dunham, Chairman.

This Committee aims to serve as a clearing-house for the interests of Friends in Social work and is closely co-operating with Race Street Friends.

Committee on Race Relations—Joseph E. Platt, Chairman.

The race tension caused by the migration of great numbers of the colored race to industrial centres, giving Philadelphia one of the largest negro populations of any American city, has created a problem which demands most careful study on the part of Friends with their historic interest in negro welfare. An attempt to meet this opportunity is being made by a small group, sponsored by our Committee, and composed largely of members of the Inter-Racial Committees of both Philadelphia

Yearly Meetings. Any interested Friends are most welcome to join this group.

Publicity Committee—Anna Cope Evans, Chairman.

A monthly social order column has been published in *The Friend* and social order material has been supplied for *The Friends' Intelligencer* and *The American Friend*.

Coal Study Group—

The Coal Study Group, after hearing a number of reports over a period of two years has drawn up a brief and informing report on the coal industry under the title, "Coal Mining and the Social Order." Copies of this report are available at the Friends' Book Store and from the literature table at Yearly Meeting.

Letter to Quarterly Meetings—

A letter was sent to all of our Quarterly Meetings, calling their attention to the serious situation in the bituminous coal fields of Pennsylvania. As waste and suffering seem inevitable until a remedy can be found for the grave evils existing in the industry itself, the letter urged the importance of an informed public opinion as a spur to constructive action on the part of the operators, the union and the government.

Business Problems Group—Henry Tatnall Brown, Chairman.

The Business Problems Group now has 123 members and has held five meetings with an average attendance of 75. The addresses were by men of outstanding accomplishment in the field of human relations in industry and were followed by full and interested discussion. The addresses were:—

1. Arthur H. Young, of the Industrial Relations Counselors of New York, described the work and aims of that organization set up by John D. Rockefeller, Jr., to make researches on human relations in industry and to give

counsel on that subject to the many industries with which he is connected, and to others which may apply to it.

2. C. Canby Balderston, of the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, reported the results of a study made by him of a Managerial Profit Sharing, which was supplemented by an address on the same subject by Henry S. Dennison, President of the Dennison Manufacturing Company.

3. E. K. Hall, Vice-President of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, described the Personnel Policies of the Bell System.

4. C. D. Garretson, President of the Electric Hose and Rubber Company, of Wilmington, Del., described his interesting interpretation and application of the Golden Rule to employee, customer and competitor relationships.

5. Howard Coonley, President of the Walworth Company of Boston, manufacturers of Valves and Fittings, with plants in various parts of the country, described the personnel relationship plans of his organization.

We were inspired to learn of the practical steps which some great corporations are taking to eliminate the master and servant idea and to foster the growth of a thoroughgoing spirit of co-operation so that the attitude of their entire personnel may be that of a group of people engaged in a common enterprise of public service.

Women's Problems Group—Nancy Morris Wood, Chairman.

The Women's Problems Group has held four meetings this year, the average attendance being unusually large. Between two and three hundred men and women were present at the supper meeting which was addressed by Dr. Lillian M. Gilbreth. The study of human relations between employer and employee in the home which was started two years ago, has developed in a most interesting way. A committee has been formed of representatives of women's organizations in and around Philadelphia and

the Home Economics Departments of the public schools, Temple University and Drexel Institute. This Committee with the co-operation of the Women's Bureau of the United States' Department of Labor in Washington, is conducting a scientific study of home management in this vicinity by sending out 10,000 questionnaires prepared with the advice of experts. To supplement the information obtained in this way, more intensive studies of a number of homes are being made by means of interviews with the home-makers. The study has broadened out to include homes where there are no employees. With the co-operation of the Y. W. C. A. a questionnaire for employees is being prepared, in order to obtain their point of view. Though the home is the very basis of our whole national life, nothing quite like this has been attempted. After the study is completed, it is hoped to start a centre in Philadelphia where home-makers can go for expert advice, and to secure employees fitted to meet their needs.

We suggest the continuation of appointment of the Social Order Committee at this time for two years, with power to add to its numbers during that time.

We gratefully acknowledge the valuable co-operation of the Race Street Friends and the American Friends' Service Committee during the past year. It is encouraging to realize that other Yearly Meetings in America share our concern for the Social Order. At Fifteenth and Race Streets last Fifth Month the subject claimed the attention of the Yearly Meeting, and both New England Yearly Meetings have recognized its importance. Among the other churches, there is scarcely a major religious body in America that does not have some committee charged with the duty of educating its membership in regard to the application of religion to social questions. Friends in England are at the present time much exercised as to the duty of the Society of Friends regarding social and industrial matters, and have issued a statement of principles. B. Seebohm Rowntree, after emphasizing his belief that the primary duty of the church is a spiritual one (to replace selfishness by brotherhood), adds: "It is

most desirable that the church should lay down Christian principles by which action may be guided.”—“It is the church’s duty to define ideals,” he urges, “and to create enthusiasm for their realization.”

A well-known Friend writing in the *Christian Century*, referring to the failure of the Society of Friends since the war to live up to the reputation gained during the war, attributes this failure to the lack among our membership of a real understanding and appreciation of Quaker ideals. To define these ideals, to discover what they mean in actual life and to create a great enthusiasm for their realization, should help Friends to be, not mere conformers to the world, but transformers of Society.

Signed on behalf of the Social Order Committee,

J. HOWARD BRANSON,
Secretary.

BERNARD G. WARING,
Chairman.

Philadelphia, Third Month 23, 1928.

Report of the Committee on Records and Changes in Membership.

To the Representative Meeting:

A tabulated statement showing in detail the changes in membership for the year ending Twelfth Month 1, 1927, is attached hereto.

Owing to five Monthly Meetings assuming a total as of Twelfth Month 1, 1926, different from last year’s report, and Upper Springfield Monthly Meeting of twelve members having been laid down, our total of 4,616 for that date is a corrected total.

A discrepancy between gains and losses on the Tabulated Statement, both in Twelfth Street Monthly Meeting and in the final totals, is due to the addition of three by adjustment in that Meeting.

It may be of interest to know that the unusually large gain by Certificates Received in Chesterfield Monthly

Meeting is owing to their absorption of the membership of Upper Springfield Monthly Meeting, now laid down.

A brief resume of changes reported during the year, is as follows:—

Gains—

Births.....	47
Certificates Received.....	74
Applications.....	67
(By Adjustment in One Monthly Mtg.....	3
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Total Gains.....	191

Losses—

Deaths.....	63
Certificates Removed.....	61
Resignations.....	10
Disowned or Dropped.....	5
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Total Losses.....	139

Net Gain for the year—52.

Total Membership reported Twelfth Month 1, 1927—4,668.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

Number of non-members married to members.....	635
Number of children (non-members) of whom one parent is a member.....	595
Number of non-members attending our Meetings for Worship with more or less regularity.....	301
Number of above classes received into membership during the year.....	52

(From statistics gathered at the Central Office.)

WILLIAM B. HARVEY.

Secretary.

Philadelphia, Second Month 15, 1928.

TABULATED STATEMENT showing changes in membership for the year ending Twelfth Month 1, 1927:

QUARTERLY MEETINGS	MONTHLY MEETINGS	Membership Twelfth Month 1, 1926	GAINS			LOSSES				Net Gain	Net Loss	Membership Twelfth Month 1, 1927	Adult—Males	Adult—Females	Minors
			Births	Cert's Rec'd	Requests	Deaths	Cert's Granted	Dis'd or Drop'd	Resignations						
Phila. Quarter	Arch St.	282	6	2	1	4	7				2	280	100	133	47
	12th St.	*502			2	6	14	4			19	483	165	221	97
	Muncy	104	2			3		1			2	102	35	47	20
	Haverford	254	3	4	17	2	1			21		275	101	101	73
	Totals for Quarter	1142										1140			
Abington Quarter	Frankford	75	1	4	1				1	5		80	42	25	13
	Gwynedd	46							1		1	45	15	24	6
	Abington	48	2	4						6		54	14	13	27
	Germantown	589	10	9	11	7	4		1	18		607	202	230	175
	Totals for Quarter	758										786			
Concord Quarter	Chester, Pa.	321	4	15	12	5				26		347	99	142	106
	Goshen	41				1					1	40	16	19	5
	Concord	33				1					1	32	13	10	9
	Wilmington	106	1	2	2	2			1	2		108	39	46	23
	Birmingham	261	1	9	1	5				6		267	83	130	54
	Lansdowne	209		5	5	1	5			4		213	69	81	63
	Westtown	119	4	5	6		7		4	4		123	31	42	50
	Totals for Quarter	1090										1130			
Cala. Quarter	Bradford	129										129	48	52	29
	Uwchlan	44		1	2	1				2		46	14	18	14
	Totals for Quarter	173										175			
Western Quarter	Kennett	68				1					1	67	32	28	7
	New Garden	144	2			5	2				5	139	60	59	20
	London Grove	29										29	6	12	11
	Totals for Quarter	241										235			
Burlington and Bucks	Burlington	76				1					1	75	31	34	10
	Chesterfield	62		11		3				8		70	25	29	16
	Falls	151	1	1		3	1		1		3	148	43	54	51
	Totals for Quarter	289										293			
Haddonfield and Salem	Haddonfield	179	2		2	3				1		180	62	83	35
	Chester, N. J.	449	6	1	1	5	19		1		17	432	125	178	129
	Evesham	49				3					3	46	18	17	11
	U. Evesham	175	1	1	4	1				5		180	63	62	55
	Woodbury	49	1				1					49	17	20	12
	Salem	22										22	7	7	8
	Totals for Quarter	923										909			
TOTALS		4616	47	74	67	63	61	5	10	108	56	4668	1575	1917	1176

Total membership Twelfth Month 1, 1927, 4668. Gain 52.

*Gain by adjustment, 3.

Report of Book Committee.

To the Representative Meeting:

The three lines of activity assigned to this Committee have claimed attention the past year. The three lines are the publication of Friends' literature, the circulation of "Approved" Friends' books by free grants, and the maintenance of the Book Store.

There have been no publications during the year. Some material under consideration might have been on press but for the serious illness of one of our members.

In the field of free distribution a wide demand has been met. A large consignment went to the Y. M. C. A., at Calcutta, India; a missionary in Africa has been supplied; Germany has had a rich assortment of books, and an appropriation of \$100 for re-printing pamphlet literature that originated at 304 Arch Street; the Vienna Quaker Centre has had a consignment at the suggestion of Emma Cadbury.

Nearer at home the following may be mentioned as of special interest. The new Public Library on the Parkway, in Philadelphia has been given a fairly representative collection of Quaker literature at a cost of \$250. The new Meeting-houses at Atlantic City and at Pennsylvania State College have been liberally supplied with what may prove to be the foundation of Meeting-house libraries. Friendly groups in Cleveland, Colorado Springs and elsewhere have had their needs supplied. In addition, numerous individual requests from a wide range of territory have had consideration and in most instances donations have been made. Some of these have been for use in Study Circles so that the range of good has been widened.

It seems very evident that the several bequests made to the Yearly Meeting from time to time for the distribution of literature are fully productive. Without question larger sums could be profitably employed.

A special sub-committee carries into effect the object

prescribed in one bequest by furnishing newly established homes with a selection of Friends' books. There have been more than a dozen instances of this form of distribution during the year and the acknowledgments of them indicate their great value.

The Book Store the past year has shown an increase of trade. The bulk of this is mail-order trade, but the shop itself has been more attractively arranged, and its facilities for service increased. Orders from stock-in-hand, or for books of publishers in America or England, not in stock, can be filled promptly and as cheaply as through other channels.

There has been an impressive output of Quaker books the past year, several of them we make bold to say should be in all Friends' families and should have a careful reading. In addition to these there is an increase in the number of books not written by Friends, but treating religious subjects from the Quaker viewpoint. Our tables are well supplied with these and we have knowledge of others as they come from the Press. In this connection we should welcome brief notices or reviews of new books that Friends think it desirable to circulate. Our appeal is for the widest possible co-operation to make the Book Store an institution of education in the Society and beyond it. The value of the printed word is beyond computation.

During the year the Committee has collected a surprisingly large list of books and pamphlets on Quakerism in foreign languages. The list is on file with the Secretary and can be referred to by those who have uses for this information.

The Book Committee has pleasant relations of co-operation with the Book Association of Friends. The Association is one of our good customers.

It is hoped Friends will continue to think of the Book Store in terms of service rather than as a productive financial venture. The two points of view, however, are not wholly incompatible. It is probably true that if we all read as much as it is profitable and gave the Book

Store the bulk of our patronage we should make a double contribution to the welfare of the Yearly Meeting.

On behalf of the Committee,

J. HENRY BARTLETT,
Chairman.

Report of the Peace Committee.

To the Yearly Meeting:

The world today is engaged in a mighty struggle between militarism and pacifism. Efforts have been made to launch the United States on a career of naval expansion on an unparalleled scale, which would have almost certainly ended in disaster. On the other hand, pacifism has influenced public opinion in a way which has gained respect even from such experts in publicity as newspaper correspondents. The power of the people who believe in other means than those of violence was felt last year when relations became strained between the United States and Mexico. It was again felt when the proposed naval program was reduced recently by the Naval Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives.

The serious attention being given to the proposals of the Department of State that six of the most powerful nations bind themselves by treaty not to go to war with each other under any circumstances is an encouraging evidence of the sincere interest now being taken in the prevention of war. We are glad that our government is taking the lead in this.

The Peace Committee has been working steadily at the program described in our Report a year ago. Our regular staff now includes three people who give most of their time to the service, and a fourth, Eleanor Rhoads, who is doing valuable work two days a week, reading, clipping and filing newspaper and other published material. We are hoping to add another regular worker this summer. These do not include special helpers with the work at the County Fairs.

SPEAKERS' BUREAU.

The Speakers' Bureau on International Affairs is conducted in co-operation with the Philadelphia Peace Council. It is financed mainly by us, is located in our office, and its Director is nominated by us. Through its affiliation with the Philadelphia Peace Council the Speakers' Bureau is able to reach out more widely than would be possible if the Bureau were run solely by Friends.

Under the direction of Sylvia B. Hetzel, the Bureau during the past year has furnished speakers to 216 meetings, including an estimated total of 33,000 auditors. This does not include audiences at some radio talks. During the previous year, the Speakers' Bureau furnished speakers to 191 meetings.

An interesting increase is shown in the number of requests to address churches during the vacation season, 23 last summer as compared with 15 the summer before.

A promising new development is the preparation of lantern slide lectures for small children. Such a lecture is now being used, a speaker being furnished. It is expected, after the series of pictures is rounded out, to furnish the slides and lecture outlines. The demand is expected to come mainly from elementary schools. These lectures are intended to show the humanness of people, especially children, of other lands, and thus promote understanding.

NEWS SERVICE.

Our News Service is completing its second year, being sent to about 650 newspapers in smaller town and country communities. Short articles, usually dealing with some story or event of human interest, are sent out fortnightly.

There is apparently no adequate check on this service, and no way of telling exactly how many of the releases are used. We receive enough copies of papers containing them, however, and learn enough incidentally, to convince us that the service is justified. For example, a special Armistice Day editorial was used to our knowledge in five papers near Philadelphia with a combined total

circulation of at least 10,000. The cost was small. It is reasonable to suppose that it was used in many more papers in other parts of our area.

CAMPAIGN AT FAIRS.

The campaign at fairs was organized in co-operation with Race Street Friends, who contributed substantially toward the expenses, as in past years. Ten fairs were attended. One in New Jersey, at Bridgeton, and two in Maryland, at Frederick and Hagerstown, were new. The other seven we have attended in past years. They are Huntingdon, West Chester, Harrisburg, Reading, Allentown, and York, in Pennsylvania, and Trenton, New Jersey.

The work this year was very different from that of past years, and has been somewhat criticized on that account. The difference was due to changed conditions. After several years of relatively small attendance, because of cold and rainy weather, the fairs this year enjoyed good weather and greatly increased attendance. The roadways through the fair grounds were so thronged with people that there was very little possibility for discussion. The pressure of the crowd made it necessary to give out the literature and souvenirs as rapidly as possible. Lists of names collected at fairs in the past have proved to be of comparatively little use, so no effort was made to get names.

It is estimated that some 45,000 people received the peace message in some form through the work of our Fair Exhibit. Shopping bags, blotters, a folder of questions and answers, and a story for young children were the main carriers of the message.

PEACE EDUCATION.

The Peace Education Committee last year aided in sending dolls as messengers of friendship from the children of this country to the children of Japan. This work aroused a very great deal of interest, in this country, and touched

the Japanese people very deeply. The Japanese government and the governments of the several provinces and cities, took official part in the ceremonies of welcome as the dolls were distributed through Japan. In return, the Japanese school children and Department of Education sent 58 magnificent dolls to the United States. It was necessary to arrange ceremonies of welcome for them corresponding to the ceremonies arranged for the American dolls in Japan. In Philadelphia this was done through our office. The official reception was held at the Overbrook High School, through the generous co-operation of Mrs. Roland S. Morris, Dr. Edwin C. Broome, Dr. Parke Schoch and George A. Welsh. Mayor Mackey was represented. Anna W. Bennett, our chairman and Germantown Friends arranged most interesting ceremonies at Germantown Friends' School. The auditorium of the school was filled, and a large overflow meeting was held in the Meeting-house. Children from our Yearly Meeting Schools enjoyed a reception at Friends' Select School. Other schools and groups in Philadelphia had opportunities to see the Dolls, although many were disappointed because the time was so limited.

A similar project, sending school bags to the children of Mexico, is now under way. It serves to inform people of the United States of the intense interest the people of Mexico take in their schools.

Pennsylvania Day, on the school day nearest Third Month 4th, has been designated by the Legislature for exercises in the public schools of Pennsylvania commemorating the grant of Pennsylvania to William Penn and the life and ideals which he advocated. The State Department of Public Instruction arranged graded programs for the schools, and the Peace Education Committee offered to furnish material on Penn's life and work. Through the generosity of E. P. Dutton & Company, we were able to secure some copies of "The Peace of Europe and Other Papers," by William Penn, at a large discount. These we offered to lend to schools desiring to use them. In all 165 schools requested material, and several appreciative letters have been received.

Plans are under way for an intensive study course next winter, to help interested Friends equip themselves for effective work for peace.

In co-operation with other members of the Philadelphia Peace Council, we are looking forward to a third Conference on the Teaching of History, to be held toward the end of Fourth Month. We co-operated with the Young Friends' Committee and other organizations in holding a meeting at the Broad Street Theatre on Second Month 5th to protest against the seventy-one ship naval program. The meeting was so well attended that the doors had to be closed several minutes before the hour announced for beginning the meeting.

COMPULSORY MILITARY TRAINING.

We are much interested in the question of compulsory military training in schools and colleges. Work in this field has been done this year through the Representative Meeting.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS.

The International Program Committee has tried to inform Friends of the legislative situation, especially concerning the naval program. This Committee is careful not to send too much material. Our conservatism in this has been rewarded by the large response to our suggestion of letters and telegrams urging continued reliance on fairness and friendship rather than on naval preparedness. Friends apparently contributed their full share to the nation-wide protest against the naval program.

CONFERENCE OF PACIFIST CHURCHES.

Cordial relations continue with the Mennonites and Church of the Brethren. Two conferences have been held during the year, a large meeting at North Manchester, Indiana, in Eleventh Month, and a smaller conference to discuss program and methods, held the second and third of this month in Chicago. At this second conference a

committee was appointed to collect information about the actual experiences of conscientious objectors under the present Naturalization Laws. In some places, Friends, Mennonites and Brethren have no difficulty on account of their conscientious refusal to fight; in others it is almost impossible for such people to become naturalized.

FINANCIAL.

A summary of our financial report and a copy of the Auditors' Report are attached. For the coming year we have planned a budget of \$15,500, and we expect that Friends will appreciate the importance of effective work for peace, and will enable us to carry on our efforts. We request the usual appropriation of \$1,500.00 from the Yearly Meeting.

CONCLUSION.

The American Friends' Service Committee and the National Council for Prevention of War offer, with our own Peace Committee, a program for peace work locally, nationally and internationally. Our Peace Committee serves as an agency to receive contributions for the others, from members of this Yearly Meeting, and acts in many ways as their Philadelphia branch. Co-operation is close, and becoming closer, as the importance of effective united action is increasingly recognized.

The prevention of war and the establishment of permanent peace on the Christian basis of mutual respect and love is one of the great tasks of our day. Unless it can be accomplished, many experienced observers are of the opinion that civilization is not likely to survive. Times of comparative tranquility, like these, offer the best opportunity of preventing that catastrophe. We must not lose interest or courage.

Signed on behalf of the Peace Committee,

STANLEY R. YARNALL,
Chairman.

RICHARD R. WOOD,
Secretary.

Third Month 19, 1928.

REPORT OF HENRY W. COMFORT, TREASURER, FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR ENDING THIRD MONTH 1, 1928.

Receipts.

Balance Third Month 1, 1927.....	\$ 3,936.88
A. F. S. C.....	\$11,608.38
National Council for Pre- vention of War.....	14,553.85
Peace Committee.....	9,951.85
Unallocated.....	867.50

Total Contributions.....	\$36,981.58
Yearly Meeting Appropriation.....	1,500.00
Interest on Deposits and Investments	229.71

Total Receipts.....\$42,648.17

Expenditures.

A. F. S. C.....	\$11,608.38
National Council for Pre- vention of War.....	14,553.85
Salaries, Rent, &c.....	6,891.61
Other Expenses Forwarding Work of Committee.....	7,588.66

Total Expenditures.....\$40,642.50

Balance as of Third Month 1, 1928.....\$ 2,005.67

H. W. COMFORT,
Treasurer.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.,
Third Month 12, 1928.

*To the Peace Committee of the Religious Society of Friends
of Philadelphia and Vicinity:*

We have examined the accounts of Henry W. Comfort,
Treasurer of the Peace Committee of the Religious Society
of Friends of Philadelphia and Vicinity for the period

from Third Month 1, 1927 to Second Month 29, 1928. In each case we have compared a receipted voucher or a cancelled check with the expense items in the cash book. We have gone over the additions and compared the ledger balance \$1,968.70 with the bank statement at the close of the period and have found no errors. In addition to the ledger balance there was on hand the same date \$36.97 in Petty Cash, making total Balance on hand \$2,005.67.

JOSEPH H. HAINES,
ERNEST N. VOTAW,
Auditors.

Report of the Committee to Co-operate with Young Friends.

To the Yearly Meeting:

Dear Friends:

The Committee appointed at the request of the Young Friends to co-operate in their work have placed themselves at the disposal of The Young Friends' Executive whenever they could properly assist. As in preceding years, this Committee was pleased to co-operate with Young Friends in raising funds, by appealing to interested older Friends, who responded in a generous fashion. Although it was not deemed necessary to hold a separate meeting of this Committee, a majority of the members have been present at two meetings with The Young Friends: the first, a supper meeting with the Executive Officers, at which vital concerns of Young Friends were discussed; the second, a regular meeting of the entire Young Friends' Executive. On both of these occasions we have been deeply impressed by the devotion, earnestness and self-sacrifice of this group of young people; their fearless Christianity and their vision of the future Society of Friends.

This Committee wishes to call particular attention to the plan of the Young Friends, outlined in Section 16 of their appended report, to send delegates to participate in

The World Youth Peace Congress, to be held in Eerde, Holland, in Eighth Month, 1928. This appears to this committee to be a most important project, and the concern of the Young Friends to secure delegates of evident fitness for this service assures us that the project is being undertaken in the highest seriousness. We especially note their appeal to the Yearly Meeting for its "whole-hearted support and prayers."

Lastly, we append to this report the statement drawn up by the Young Friends, which records a year of constructive and devoted service.

EDWARD S. BRADLEY,
For the Yearly Meeting Committee to
Co-operate with Young Friends.

Report of the Young Friends' Committee.

To the Yearly Meeting:

The Young Friends' Committee submits the following report for the year 1927-28:

1. Owing to the resignation of our secretary, Howard E. Yarnall, Jr., who has worked so ably during the last few years, Mary Hoxie Jones was secured to take his place and has been in office since the beginning of Ninth Month last.

2. Our budget for the current year was \$2200. We are very glad to report that about one-half of this amount was raised from our own group and that the other half came from older Friends. Last year only one-third of our budget was collected from our young people so that we feel very much encouraged with the apparent increase in interest. As many people are aware, the larger portion of our group is comprised of children and young people in school and college which means that their financial support cannot be in direct proportion to their interest in our affairs.

3. Several Young Friends' groups have taken the opportunity of using the time and advice of our Secretary which has always been available. We hope that more

groups will continue to do so, particularly isolated Young Friends who require specific help in their organization and work.

4. Two week-end visits to outlying groups were planned and carried out last spring. These visits unfortunately aroused very little interest among Young Friends as a whole so that for the latter part of the year, no further effort was made in this direction.

5. During the winter months a lively discussion group has been held bi-weekly. The topics of discussion have been political, economic and social problems of the world. Much constructive thought has come out of these meetings which have been led by well-known persons, particularly qualified to discuss these subjects. The interest shown would seem to justify the continuance of such a group next year with a more ambitious program and a larger attendance.

6. Three socials were held during the year: one last Sixth Month; a joint social with the Young Friends of Fifteenth and Race Streets, in Tenth Month, and one for our own group at Christmas time. In order to avoid being crowded, we found it necessary to hold the Christmas Party at Friends' Select School. While socials are primarily for enjoyment, our Executive Committee feels that we have no better way of getting our young people acquainted than through these socials and the efficiency of our work in more serious directions seems to be in more direct proportion to our acquaintance with one another.

7. The Young Friends' News Letter has been continued this year in a slightly more elaborate form. It is now a double printed sheet which contains items of current interest and activities, with a few personals. It has been sent out regularly, at a six weeks interval, to all our Young Friends and also to the representatives of Friends' groups throughout the world. Nearly twelve hundred copies are distributed each issue.

8. The Young Friends' Number of THE FRIEND has also been continued. Our issue appears once a month

and we find it valuable for the awakening in Young Friends of their responsibilities and the stimulation to express their opinions and to show their literary talents.

9. In 1927 our regular Meeting for Worship was held on the First-day before Yearly Meeting. This year we have invited the Young Friends from Fifteenth and Race Streets to join with us in order that we may share with them the power and inspiration which this Meeting always holds for Young Friends. Immediately following our Meeting for worship this year, Dr. Elizabeth Rotten addressed us on the Youth Movement in Germany.

10. The Young Friends co-operated in a Protest Meeting against the Big Navy Bill which was held in Second Month in the Broad Street Theatre. This meeting was well attended and two excellent speeches were made, one by Senator Gerald P. Nye, the other by Rabbi William Fineshriber of this city. Resolutions were handed out at this meeting to be signed and sent to the President of the United States.

11. The experiment of holding an informal interracial tea meeting in the tea-room of the Twelfth Street Meeting-house was tried once in the Second Month and has been repeated because of its success. This group consisted of both Race Street and Arch Street Young Friends and a selected group of colored persons. About fifty people attended each time and a stimulating exchange of ideas resulted.

12. Last summer two outstanding conferences were held under Friends' auspices. Sixteen delegates from our Yearly Meeting attended the Young Friends' General Conference at Oskaloosa, Iowa, in Seventh and Eighth Months. Immediately following, the Young Friends' Eastern Conference was held at Guilford College, North Carolina, at which there were fifty-one young people from both branches of Philadelphia Friends. Our former secretary, Howard E. Yarnall, Jr., was chairman of the Eastern Conference. At both conferences the subject of worship was given a great deal of consideration. The discussion indicated that for those who are acquainted

with pastoral meetings, worship suffered at the hands of organization. On the other hand, those familiar with the silent meeting find it often lacking in vitality and sometimes not fully adequate to the needs of religious life. This discussion disclosed a need for more individuals everywhere to assume a real spiritual and vocal responsibility for our meetings.

13. It has been noted that there are twenty-four Young Friends serving on the Yearly Meeting Committees. We trust that in this co-operation we may become acquainted with the problems of the Yearly Meeting and so learn to share in the accomplishing of business.

14. Philadelphia Quarterly Meeting held its Eleventh Month Meeting as a week-end Conference, arranged by the Young Friends. The change from the ordinary procedure was heartily received. Aside from the religious and business meeting the subject under discussion was the problem of the City Meetings, and, although, other than an able presentation of both sides of the matter no solution was reached, the discussion resulted in the appointment of a committee to consider the larger service of Friends in Philadelphia. Many Young Friends feel that a single center for Philadelphia Yearly Meeting and its allied organizations would increase its efficiency both for itself and for others. We are anxious that the tradition and spirit of the Society shall in no way suffer but we desire to have our Society efficient and constructive to its highest possibility.

15. In Seventh Month, 1927, a conference was held to discuss the linking up of Young Friends in America with the American Friends' Service Committee. A concern was felt that the Service Committee and the Young Friends ought not to be separate and distinct groups but that the two would gain by coming closer together. The result has been the appointment of Young Friends to the Executive and regional committees of the Service Committee.

16. Our most significant undertaking of the year is the plan to send three or possibly four delegates to the

World Youth Peace Congress to be held in Eerde, Holland, at the end of Eighth Month. These delegates are now being carefully chosen and they will join with a small number from both Fifteenth and Race Streets and the Five Years' Meeting. We feel most fortunate in having been permitted ten representatives from the Society of Friends as only eighty delegates have been allowed to the United States out of five hundred representatives from all corners of the globe. This Congress gives our young people a particularly fine opportunity to take a constructive part in an economic and humanitarian program which represents principles traditionally and practically vital to the religious life of Friends. The fact of the Congress affords us an opportunity for international contact which perhaps exceeds the value of the Congress itself. In recognition of this fact it has been definitely arranged that this group of ten persons shall go to Europe early in Seventh Month to visit in Friends' Centres in England, France, Germany, Norway, Sweden and perhaps Poland. Three different itineraries are being arranged by Friends in Europe. The ten representatives will form three groups for these visits but will come together at the Peace Camp planned by the English Young Friends for the week preceding the Congress. Upon their return to this country we hope that Friends will make use of the information and the contacts which they will bring back with them for it is the hope that the benefit of their journey of good-will and understanding will be multiplied many times, both abroad and among our own people.

In order to facilitate this trip for our three or four delegates it will be necessary for us to raise a special fund to help them with their expenses. There are also certain expenses incurred by the American Committee of the Congress in New York in which we will have to share. The exact amount required for this work we do not know at this time, and, while we are hopeful that a good portion of the total amount will be raised from Young Friends it will be necessary to appeal to older Friends also.

We know of no one thing in the past few years that has seemed to be such a great opportunity for us as Friends

as well as representatives of the young people in the United States to give further publicity and understanding to our peace principles and we would like this Yearly Meeting to give to these Young Friends who are going abroad, their whole-hearted support and prayers.

In conclusion of the fourth report which has been submitted by the Young Friends' Committee to the Yearly Meeting, we want to express our appreciation of the interest which the Yearly Meeting has shown us in the past and the co-operation which we have received from its appointed committee. We want the Yearly Meeting to feel that our organization is not in any way a separate one, but that it is rather a medium through which our young people can begin their interest and responsibility for the life of the Meeting in an environment where there are others who lack experience but who are earnestly seeking. It is our desire to help build toward a better and more responsive Society of Friends.

On behalf of the Young Friends' Executive Committee,

ALFRED L. TEST,
Chairman.

MARY HOXIE JONES,
Executive Secretary.

Report of the Extension Committee.

To the Yearly Meeting:

The Extension Committee, appointed rather experimentally last year, feels that there is evident need for a committee of our Yearly Meeting to carry on the work of extending Christian Fundamentals.

During this year, we have continued the outreach of former Extension Committees by printing and distributing Pennsbury Leaflets, and by co-operating in the arrangement of special Meetings for Worship during the summer months.

The Editorial and Publication section has continued the publication of Pennsbury Leaflets. Special effort

has been made to secure names of individuals and organizations where it was felt that our little "silent messengers" might find an acceptable field of usefulness.

The most prolific of these has been in the Theological Seminaries, where the distribution during the past few months has amounted to over 50,000 copies. Care has been taken to send only non-sectarian material to these young students for the Ministry.

The total number of leaflets printed since Third Month, 1927, has been about 212,000. This is considerably more than for last year.

The distribution has been wide-spread; many copies have been used at nearby points, including Arch Street Meeting House. As representing the foreign field, Edna Ker, formerly of West Chester, Penna., and now of the Ceylon and India General Mission, in a recent letter states that, "Your tracts are especially good to give to the educated Buddhist people. We have a great scope for tract distribution here in Ceylon as most of the natives are also educated in English. They take tracts in spite of protests and threats from the priests. I can use 100 a day easily in this one center."

A. G. Fessenden, Jr., of San Anselmo, California, tells of a mission church in the mountains. In ordering a considerable number of leaflets, he writes: "They would be a great help to me in my work for the people desire something tangible."

On request of the Philadelphia Council of Churches, numerous leaflets have been broadcasted by radio to the many "shut-ins" and others, during the noon-day period.

Requests for permission to use our publications in religious periodicals have come from points as far distant as South Africa.

It is not for us to know just how much the leaflets have contributed to the upbuilding of Christ's Kingdom on Earth. They have at least been as "bread cast on the waters."

The sub-committee on Meetings, Conferences and Special Concerns has given encouragement, and assistance where needed, to individuals and committees of subordi-

nate meetings who have desired to hold public Meetings for Divine Worship during the summer months. Among the places where such Meetings have been held are: Marshallton, Parkerville and London Britain, Penna., and Arney's Mount, Medford and Mount Holly, N. J. Our care in arranging these Meetings was to aid in carrying out definite concerns of members of our Committee or other Friends, rather than to arrange for a larger number of Meetings.

As the result of the concern of one member of our Committee, a Conference on Christian Pioneering was held at 20 S. Twelfth Street, Philadelphia, on Tenth Month 14, 1927. Representatives were present from most of the subordinate meetings and much gratitude has been expressed for the opportunity of considering methods of individual service.

More recently the Committee has prepared and sent to individual members of the Young Friends' group a personal letter in response to the Report which the Young Friends presented to the Yearly Meeting last year.

We feel that this sub-committee has met a real need, and that a similar sub-committee should be appointed for next year, with the addition of a few younger Friends.

A new feature of our work this year has been the effort, through one sub-committee, to take a continuing interest in three of our smaller subordinate meetings—Chester, Coatesville and Downingtown. In such places there must be a number of those seeking individuals to whom the Society of Friends may be expected to offer a helpful fellowship. As we share with other denominations the local responsibility for the people of the neighborhoods of our Meeting Houses, these communities are equally promising.

The burdens of Christian Extension in these and other communities fall heavily upon a few Friends. We hope that all Friends, especially those belonging to the larger Meetings, will bear the smaller groups in mind, and as way opens attend their gatherings for Worship, and give encouragement to the faithful local Friends. It would be a great assistance to such, if some Friends, feeling a

call to service, would voluntarily take up residence in their midst even for a brief time.

This is one of the lines of effort that develop slowly, and which we hope that the Yearly Meeting will continue under the care of an Extension Committee over a sufficient period to make possible real aid to some of these local Meetings.

We appreciate the financial support of the Friends who have contributed to this work. There was a time during the year when we did not have enough money to proceed with our printing, but at present our bank balance is \$1042.

We earnestly recommend that the Yearly Meeting continue an Extension Committee or take some other steps to carry on the work which has been so stimulating to those of us fortunate enough to have had a share in it, and which we believe to be of great promise for the future of our Religious Society.

It is even more important that every member of the Yearly Meeting consider his own individual opportunities for extension service. Then all our Meetings would be centres of Friendly influence, able to receive within our ranks those who have no church home, yet have some drawing toward our principles and practices.

On behalf of the Committee,

WM. B. HARVEY,
JAMES M. MOON,
RICHARD R. WOOD.

Third Month 1, 1928.

Report of Committee on Race Relations.

To the Yearly Meeting:

The Committee on Race Relations was the outcome of a deep concern of an individual member of this Yearly Meeting, Esther Morton Smith, and she was the centre and inspiration of the group until she was called to International service in Geneva, a year and a half ago. Since then the Committee has lacked leadership and has failed to do any aggressive work.

The past year has been one of co-operation with others rather than of independent action.

At the suggestion of the American Friends' Service Committee, we co-operated with the Committee of Race Street Friends on the Interests of the Colored Race, and the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom in holding a small conference for teachers, one or two teachers of history or economics being invited from the Friends' Schools of Philadelphia and vicinity and from the Public High Schools of the city. Dr. Charles Wesley of Howard University and Dr. Hornell Hart of Bryn Mawr addressed the afternoon meeting very ably. Supper was served, followed by ten minute speeches and discussion. While in the nature of an experiment, it proved a very successful one.

At the request of the Representative Meeting we appointed two of our members to co-operate with two of its members and two from the Social Order Committee in preparing for the Representative Meeting a letter on Race Relations to be sent, if they thought best, to the membership of the Yearly Meeting.

In the face of such a problem as the cultivating of better relations between the Races, or even of helping our own Yearly Meeting's membership to a better understanding, we fully realize that the work of the Committee has been negligible and we question whether the little that has been done justifies its continuance as now organized. Educational work through study and conference is very necessary, but this side of the work is emphasized by other groups and by the newly formed inter-racial study group of the Social Order Committee. We have been, however, impressed with the practical understanding and results to be gained by co-operating with Negroes in constructive work. We therefore feel that our Committee can be of most service if it is used as a medium for bringing together those actually in such work. To this end it should be made up of representatives from the organizations carried on entirely, or in large part, by Friends, with a few members at large added. This Committee might then hold stated meetings, conferring on the work,

problems and needs of these organizations, as well as on the problems and needs of the city and its surroundings, and serving among other things as a clearing house for information among these organizations. We feel that this would be of much practical value.

In addition to this, the group would hold itself ready to consider any concerns that might come up from the Yearly Meeting or elsewhere. We would therefore ask this Meeting to release the present committee and authorize the appointment of a new one constituted as above outlined.

The annual meeting of the National Urban League is to be held in Philadelphia in Fourth Month. This will bring together Negro leaders from thirty to thirty-five cities in the United States. The Armstrong Association is the Philadelphia Branch of the Urban League. During the same month there is to be an Exhibition in Germantown of the achievements of the "New Negro." A similar exhibition was very successfully held in Chicago last fall. Here will be two opportunities at our very door to see a side of Negro life and culture that few of us are acquainted with, but which is an important side and one we should learn to know and sympathetically understand.

The Negro has a new consciousness of race pride and of the contribution which his group is making to America. We should help him to attain self expression in his efforts for better economic, living and social conditions, and give at each step our sympathetic encouragement and friendship.

For the Committee,

EDITH A. HOOPES,
JOHN T. EMLLEN.

Report of the Mission Board for the Year 1927-1928.

To the Yearly Meeting:

Five times during the past year, the General Mission Board has gathered to take thought for the world service

entrusted to it by the Yearly Meeting. The Executive Board has met ten times and four Sub-Committees have been active. The Board has lost a generous and faithful member in Mary Bacon Parke, who died in Eleventh Month, 1927. We wish to record our appreciation of her service to the work of Missions and through this, to the Yearly Meeting.

You will also mourn with us the recent death of Margaretta S. Alsop. She was for forty years one of the most active members of the F. M. A. and the Mission Board. Without her courage and vision, as well as her devoted work we should have failed many times to go forward. Her life was an example of the ideals for which we stand.

Within and without the Yearly Meeting your Board has made varied contacts during the past year. Delegates attended the Student Volunteer Convention and the Foreign Missions Conference of North America. Members also co-operated with the Women's Interdenominational Union of Philadelphia in its Institute and other activities during the year. Your Board enjoyed a helpful conference with Harry T. Silcock, Secretary of the Friends' Service Council of London, who explained the steps by which this union of the two committees on overseas service had been reached. Your Board has been in touch with Robert and Margaret Simkin of West China, who so deeply appreciated your message sent to them a year ago. There have also been helpful and pleasant contacts with Dr. William W. Cadbury and Catharine J. Cadbury of Canton, and with Daniel and Emily Oliver of Syria.

In 1927 the Yearly Meeting listened with interest to Burnham and Edith Braithwaite, as they spoke of their friends and work in Japan. They told us, you will remember, of their deep desire to serve those Japanese who seek a richer and freer life. On their return to Japan this summer, they will find such a group awaiting them in the Friends' Meeting at Shimotsuma, where they will occupy the home vacated by Gurney and Elizabeth Binford who are coming to America on furlough.

This year we are happy to welcome among us Edith

Newlin, who reached Philadelphia in First Month and has visited many groups of Friends in the past few weeks. Out of her varied experience of eight years, meeting all sorts of people, she has been able to interpret Japan from many points of view. Her contribution of spirit and strength to the cause of peace, to Quaker education in Japan and to the enrichment of life for young people with whom she has been in contact, has been a service for which your Board feels the Yearly Meeting can not be too grateful, and it is a matter of regret that she feels it unwise to resume work in Japan at present.

Esther B. Rhoads sailed for Japan last summer to begin her seventh year of service. She has been active in the meeting at Tokyo, as a Trustee and teacher in Friends' Girls' School, as Secretary of the Fellowship of Reconciliation in Japan, and in countless other ways. Luanna J. Bowles, who accompanied her, has been invaluable as a teacher and has sent home most interesting reports of the Friendly activities in Tokyo. Your Board greatly regrets that she finds it impossible to remain a second year in Japan.

This summer Edith F. Sharpless will return on furlough, after completing sixteen years of service in Japan. She has become a highly valued member of Japan Yearly Meeting and her presence here should make possible a definite increase in the fellowship between Japanese and American Friends. For the purpose of extending these friendly contacts, Senjiro Kameyama of Mito, Japan, also plans to visit this neighborhood during the coming summer. At the same time the Secretary of your Board will visit Friends in Japan for a few months.

The activities of these and other workers in Japan have been fully reported in our Monthly Bulletin *Preconstruction*.

As one of our Japanese friends has reminded us in a letter, it is hard to raise money, but still more difficult to find men and women "Through whom the Spirit works out power." The question of maintaining a high standard of personnel is of prime importance. We would not for one moment force the service of any Friend. In the past

years, however, the Yearly Meeting has felt what appeared to your Board to be a corporate concern for the service of making Christ known in the Far East. Where there is a true sense of the Meeting, individual concerns should follow in harmony with it. Work of the sort which has been done by Friends in Japan cannot be carried on in a haphazard way, but plans must be made in advance to bring effective results. There are at present two openings for service in Tokyo. The first calls for one or two young women to enter Friends' Girls' School as teachers. The second demands a young man and wife prepared to work with college students and with international organizations, with the joint backing of this Board and of the American Friends' Service Committee. For each of these positions we must send, if we send anyone, a Friend of the largest calibre obtainable, who can abundantly answer the young Japanese Friend's challenge above quoted, to be a dynamo through whom the Spirit of God may work out power. We had better withdraw from Japan than send less than our best.

Various educational projects have been carried out by your Board during the past year. We have continued to publish a monthly *Bulletin* during nine months of the year for our 984 contributors, three issues of which are sent to all the families in the Yearly Meeting. It is our hope that this *Bulletin* may supply first-hand information which will be of interest to all Friends who are awake to the significance of Far Eastern affairs in the modern world. All of us have a mental background of life as it has developed in Europe; to be world citizens we must without delay acquaint ourselves with the Oriental point of view and try to understand, at least, how Friends—members of our own religious society—in China and Japan, are thinking and feeling. Your Board has made but the veriest beginning of such a task. The Editor of THE FRIEND has kindly co-operated by inviting us to edit one number. We have attempted to supplement the written word by personal visits to Monthly Meetings and other groups. Edith Newlin has been very active in this work of interpretation, during the past two months.

We are grateful also for the contributions of Rupert and Helen Stanley and other speakers.

The Japanese government has perhaps helped us more than any other agency by providing an object lesson in Japanese culture. In response to the gesture of friendship by American children, who sent over 12,000 dolls as Ambassadors of Good-will to Japan, sixty beautiful doll messengers were sent to this country, each equipped as a Japanese bride for her new home. Nine of these dolls were the guests of Philadelphia for a week, and some have been seen in neighboring cities. The Mission Board co-operated with other committees in their entertainment, and felt that a real contribution had been made to popular understanding of Japanese life, through the great interest which the visit aroused. Your Board is now assisting in the initiation of a similar project for friendship with Mexico.

It will now be evident that your Board conceives it has been appointed to carry on two main lines of work. First there is the attempt to co-ordinate individual concerns to show forth the way of Christ in the Far East. Then comes the effort to educate ourselves to a deeper sympathy with fellow men, seekers and Christians in the Orient and other lands. This second endeavor has become an integral part of what is known as Foreign Mission work, and the two activities are increasingly interwoven. Together they compose a task that may well claim the interest of the pacifist, the educator, the social reformer, the student, the minister of religion; in short, of every kind of sincere Friend. It is no less a task than the attempt to bring into harmony with the Spirit of Christ the whole life of men and women in the whole world. We gratefully acknowledge our fellowship with many other agencies working to this end. We believe that as Philadelphia Friends we need to face the West, and get a vision of the task beyond the Mississippi, beyond the Rockies, beyond the Pacific. We need to get a glimpse of what it would be like to be a Japanese Friend or a Chinese Friend. For them, to be Christians means to give up something—it may be money or leisure, social

position or even family loyalty. For a Japanese Friend to carry on his business as a Christian would carry it on, may mean real financial loss. For him to refuse military conscription will undoubtedly mean severe punishment. For him to build a meeting-house or a school will mean actual saving and sacrifice. The Mission Board calls on you, the members of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, to stand back of Japanese Friends. More than that, we call on you to make some genuine sacrifice. Six months of our Fiscal Year have passed, leaving us only one-third of the way toward the completion of our budget of \$32,000. This budget has not been increased since 1923. We believe that the members of the Yearly Meeting would rather give up some things they would enjoy having, than see us fail in our obligations to Japan Yearly Meeting, to our own members and other American Friends at work in Japan, and to the Divine Master whose life of service we strive to follow.

On behalf of the Mission Board, respectfully submitted,
 Lloyd BALDERSTON,
Chairman.

MARGARET W. RHOADS,
General Secretary.

Report of Friends' Fiduciary Corporation.

To the Yearly Meeting:

George Vaux, Jr., a valued member of the Board of Directors, deceased Tenth Month 24, 1927. S. Francis Nicholson was elected to fill the unexpired term of his appointment.

Albert B. Maris, who has acceptably served as Treasurer since Twelfth Month 7, 1920, notified the Board that owing to the constantly increasing work of the Treasurer's Office, in connection with his professional and other responsibilities, he had reluctantly come to the conclusion that in fairness to Friends' Fiduciary Corporation, as well as to his partners and himself, he ought no longer to continue as Treasurer.

The resignation of Albert B. Maris as Treasurer took effect as of the close of the calendar year 1927, arrangements having previously been made with the Provident Trust Company to do the necessary accounting in pursuance of authority granted by minute of the Representative Meeting, Tenth Month 21, 1927. (For details see *THE FRIEND*, Vol. 101, No. 20, page 245.)

S. Francis Nicholson, a member of the staff of the Provident Trust Company, was appointed Treasurer to succeed Albert B. Maris and entered upon his duties as of First Month 1, 1928.

From the Treasurer's Report it appears:—

During the year 1927 four additional trust funds were received by the Corporation as follows:

Birmingham Monthly Meeting—one.
 Burlington Preparative Meeting—one.
 Media Preparative Meeting—one.
 Oakwood Lodge Fund (for the Yearly Meeting)—one.

In addition to these funds the remaining trust funds belonging to the Yearly Meeting are in process of transfer to the Corporation pursuant to recent action of the Representative Meeting.

The sum of \$6,397.96 was distributed during the year to beneficiaries of the various trust funds held by the Corporation, and \$10,162.73 in undistributed income was on hand at the close of the year.

The operations for the year 1927 resulted in a net gain of \$303.59, which increased the Reserve Fund to \$802.28 on Twelfth Month 31, 1927.

The Certificate of the Auditors, Statement of Assets and Liabilities and of Income and Expenses for the year ended Twelfth Month 31, 1927, are attached.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM T. ELKINTON,

President.

Philadelphia, Pa., Third Month 13, 1928.

CERTIFICATE OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We have examined the securities in the possession of the Provident Trust Company of Philadelphia, Agent for Friends' Fiduciary Corporation, and find that those in their possession as of Twelfth Month 31, 1927, agree with the schedule prepared by our Treasurer, Albert B. Maris, entitled "Schedule of Securities" and hereto attached, said schedule being summarized as follows:

<i>Securities</i>	<i>Book Value</i>
Ground Rents.....	\$ 1,316.67
Mortgages.....	54,950.00
Municipal Bonds.....	2,000.00
Railroad Bonds.....	31,572.50
Public Utility Bonds.....	41,811.68
Industrial Bonds.....	12,392.50
Corporate Stocks.....	3,366.63
Judgment Bonds.....	2,050.00

We have also examined the accounts of the Treasurer and the vouchers for his payments during the year 1927 and find the same to be correct, there being a cash balance of \$20,029.05 on Twelfth Month 31, 1927.

[Signed] HORACE L. WAY,
 JOHN W. CADBURY, JR.,
 Auditing Committee.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, TWELFTH MONTH 31, 1927.

Assets.

Cash.....	\$ 20,029.05
Ground Rents.....	\$ 1,316.67
Mortgages.....	54,950.00
Municipal Bonds.....	2,000.00
Railroad Bonds.....	31,572.50
Public Utility Bonds.....	41,811.68
Industrial Bonds.....	12,392.50
Corporate Stocks.....	3,366.63
	<hr/> \$147,409.98

Brought Forward.....\$167,439.03

Miscellaneous Investments:

Judgment Bonds..... 2,050.00
 Advances..... 17.54

\$169,506.57

Liabilities.

Trust Funds—Principal:

Adelphi School Fund, Birmingham Monthly Meeting, Bradford Monthly Meeting, Bradford Preparative Meeting, Burlington Monthly Meeting, Burlington Preparative Meeting, Chester (Pa.) Monthly Meeting, Chester (N. J.) Preparative Meeting, Gwynedd Monthly Meeting, Lansdowne Preparative Meeting, Lansdowne Monthly Meeting, Media Preparative Meeting, Middletown Preparative Meeting, New Garden Monthly Meeting, Oakwood Lodge Fund, Philadelphia Quarterly Meeting, Philadelphia Monthly Meeting, West Chester Preparative Meeting.....

\$158,541.56

Trust Funds—Undistributed Income..... 10,162.73

Reserve Fund..... 802.28

\$169,506.57

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES FOR YEAR ENDED
 TWELFTH MONTH 31, 1927.

Income.

Commissions Received.....\$ 421.93

Interest Received..... 327.25

Title Fees..... 191.00

\$ 940.18

Expenses.

Commissions Paid.....	\$ 129.02	
Interest Paid.....	93.77	
Salary of Secretary.....	120.00	
Salary of Treasurer.....	240.00	
Premiums on Officers' Bonds.....	50.00	
Office Supplies.....	3.30	
Acknowledgment Fee.....	.50	
	<hr/>	\$ 636.59
Net Income for Year.....	\$	303.59
Reserve Fund, First Month 1, 1927.....		498.69
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Reserve Fund, Twelfth Month 31, 1927.....	\$	802.28

Report of Delegates to the Five Years' Meeting of 1927.

To the Yearly Meeting:

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He anointed me to preach good tidings to the poor; He hath sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those that are bruised, to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord."

This quotation from Isaiah appeared on the program of the Sixth Quinquennial Session of the Five Years' Meeting of Friends in America, held in Richmond, Ind., Tenth Month 18 to 24, 1927, and was the keynote of the address in which President Mendenhall early in the session called us to a new return to primitive Christian experience and to new wisdom and love in working out the implications of that experience. Frequently during the week our thoughts returned to his challenging words.

To many of us the Five Years' Meeting in 1927 was a new experience. To all of us it was a time of deep searching. Our Philadelphia delegation was seated in the meetings with Irish Friends and London Friends, who were also fraternal delegates, and we enjoyed the companionship of these Friends.

Some Philadelphia Friends may still not know what the Five Years' Meeting is. It is an organization of twelve Yearly Meetings, comprising about 80,000 Friends in America. The Standing Boards of the Five Years' Meeting are:—Home and Foreign Missions (these two Boards to be combined in about a year), Peace Association, Young Friends' Activities, Religious Education, Prohibition and Public Morals, Education, Publication, Church Federation, Finance.

The conference method is used for carrying on the work of the Five Years' Meeting Sessions. A chief clerk is chosen, who is the presiding officer or chairman of the Conference. He has as his associates a recording clerk and a reading clerk who reads reports and makes announcements. The presiding officer can devote himself entirely to the difficult task of presiding, while the writing of the Minutes is left to the recording clerk. At the beginning of each session the Minutes of the previous session are read and approved or corrected. It was gratifying to note that all decisions, no matter how difficult, were reached by recording the sense of the meeting, except for one or two legal items which were decided by vote.

The conference considered reports which had been previously printed and distributed to all the official delegates. No reports were read to the sessions of the Five Years' Meeting but each was summarized by some active member of the particular Board or Committee. A syllabus of conference topics had also been printed in advance and although not accurately followed, it did furnish a helpful guide for the conference, in addition to the printed program.

The Business Committee is an important part of the Five Years' Meeting Conference machinery. It met almost continuously between sessions and at the beginning of each session brought in its judgment on important matters which had been referred to it. Although the work of this Business Committee is very great, this method relieves the Meeting of long tedious analyses of different points of view, and is probably a wise procedure with a

body of Friends so widely scattered as members of the Five Years' Meeting.

As the conference progressed, a high degree of freedom and idealism were reached on the questions of Race Relations and of Peace. Many of us did not feel that there was such adequate dealing with the question of worship or the subject of Religious Education. There was, however, much able speaking on all of the subjects introduced.

The delegates were given an opportunity to worship together for half an hour every morning, while a briefer devotional time preceded each meeting. To some of us the most searching single period of worship was the time when the Meeting was considering the difficult question of consolidating the Home and Foreign Mission Boards, with very strong opinions on opposing sides. A period of quiet was asked for, which was a very real seeking for the right way out and soon resulted in the meeting coming to a united judgment. A general spirit of wholesome fellowship and cordiality prevailed throughout the entire session.

We feel there are two points in the working of the Five Years' Meeting which Philadelphia Friends might well consider:—namely, the clerks system and the method of presenting reports. We recommend that Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, through an appropriate committee, give careful consideration to the possibility of similar simplification in our own Yearly Meeting.

As America grows smaller, more things should be done especially in public, by all American Friends together. The plan for an unofficial all-American Friends' Conference in the Middle West in 1929 is a challenge to all of us of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting to do our full share. We also hope that our Yearly Meeting will avail itself of opportunities to co-operate closely with the Five Years' Meeting and its Executive Board.

We close this report with the words of an excellent editorial in *The American Friend*, "While there were no mountain peaks, there were no dead levels, either of controversy or of quietism. The sessions of 1927 were

held on the plateaus of steady, upward progress, their general level being unquestionably higher than had been attained at any preceding gathering of the Five Years' Meeting. If we were asked to be more concrete and to name the achievements of the week, we would have no hesitancy in answering. The answer is not a personal editorial one, but is the answer which we have heard given time after time, as the very general and definite impression made upon those in attendance. The outstanding achievement was the growth of a Five Years' Meeting sense or consciousness. Although the machinery of organization was considered, the Five Years' Meeting became more than an organization—it became a living, working fellowship. Heretofore it has been too largely objective, something above and apart. It now became more subjective, in which each felt himself to be a part of a larger whole. Without detracting at all from the integrity of the Yearly Meetings which is the basis of our organization, the Yearly Meeting consciousness was largely incorporated into the unity of a wider and more inclusive purpose.”

On behalf of the delegation,

D. ROBERT YARNALL.

Chairman.

Philadelphia, Third Month 1, 1928.

Report of the Committee on Church Unity.

To the Yearly Meeting:

It was hoped that Alfred C. Garrett, who was a delegate from American Friends to the Lausanne Conference, would make verbal report to the Yearly Meeting. He is unable to be present. We regret that we did not have his help in preparing this brief report.

Your Committee believes that it was not the purpose of George Fox and his associates to create another denomination. For this reason, and because of the absence from our organization and method of worship of almost all the elements of church establishment, many Friends

in England and America are averse to regarding the Society of Friends as a sect or church. Our ideal for our Society is to make it "essentially a mystical fellowship which transcends the ordinary barriers of religious organization." When we keep before us this ideal, we are able to come into spiritual relationship with those in every communion as well as those outside of any communion who hold that true religion is the consciousness of God in the soul, and that Christianity is a way of life independent of creeds and formulas.

We regret that all bodies who seek a Christian way of life were not invited to participate in the Lausanne Conference, but the fear on the part of many Friends that our Society would find no place in its deliberations because of the prominence given in the preliminary announcements to matters of belief and church order, was not justified. The statements adopted both in regard to worship and ministry and the sacraments leave room for the view which Friends hold of the spiritual nature of baptism and communion, and of the place of free worship and ministry in the life of the Church Universal.

Many Christian leaders now believe it possible to work out a plan of church union which would include in the united body all the diversity of belief and practice now found in the various groups. How this can be done and how long it will take, it is impossible to foresee. But if all Christians resolutely determine to exclude from fellowship no sincere follower of Christ, a way will be found.

The need for Christian unity was never so great nor so insistent as now. Let us not deny that what should be done can be done. We urge all our members to study the statements issued by the Lausanne Conference, and where possible to organize interdenominational groups to prosecute this study. A first approach to the solution of any problem is to find out what the problem is. We need to learn what the obstacles to unity are before we can take effective steps to remove them.

If the Society of Friends joins in the further movement toward unity, we hope it may be as a united body, and that if it seems right to proceed in that direction, it shall

never mean that we must sacrifice the freedom to take forward steps into unbeaten paths as the light of Christ may lead.

We suggest that the membership of the committee be reviewed and that its number be considerably increased in view of the important service which we believe is now called for.

AGNES L. TIERNEY,
ANNA RHOADS LADD,
LLOYD BALDERSTON.

A Statement on International Relations.

BY THE RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS OF PHILADELPHIA
AND VICINITY.

*(Adopted at a Session of the Yearly Meeting,
Third Month 29, 1928, Attended by about
One Thousand Members.)*

The thought of the world is now centred as never before on ways to end war. The steps already taken to organize international agencies for peace and the far reaching proposals recently made by statesmen give evidence of a new faith among the nations that war can be abolished and a new earnestness that it shall be. We are anxious that our own country shall do its utmost to this end.

We assure President Coolidge and Secretary Kellogg that we heartily support the effort to secure a treaty among some of the leading world Powers unconditionally renouncing all war. We welcome particularly this declaration of Secretary Kellogg's recent note to M. Briand:

"From the broad standpoint of humanity and civilization, all war is an assault upon the stability of human society and should be suppressed in the common interest. The Government of the United States desires to see the institution of war abolished, and stands ready to conclude with the French, British, Italian, German and Japanese

Governments a single multilateral treaty open to subsequent adherence by any and all other Governments binding the parties thereto not to resort to war with one another."

We would hail such a treaty as a great achievement by and in itself. It would have consequences far beyond its immediate results. We believe it would greatly strengthen the foundation of an effective world system for the pacific settlement of disputes. It would help to eliminate great armies, huge navies, and the military training of citizens. It would clear the road for thorough-going disarmament. It would release vast resources of human energy and money for the constructive purposes of civilization.

We urge our Government to regard this proposed treaty not merely as an end in itself but as part of a comprehensive, national policy for peace. Under that policy the full strength of our country would be united with that of other great Powers in a common determination to build a world organized to prevent war and freed from the colossal burden and moral blight of armaments.

We do not urge this lightly as though it were an easy task. We know that it is exceedingly difficult. To the statesmen charged with the conduct of foreign affairs we express a sympathetic understanding. They are confronted with very complex problems and they carry a heavy burden of responsibility. We urge them, nevertheless, to take greater risks for peace, to have the courage and faith to put larger trust in mankind, and to believe that in so doing their people will support them and that history will vindicate them.

We ask our fellow-citizens throughout the nation to consider that it is their part and ours to create the public opinion and the moral purpose upon which such a national policy must rest. We ask them to be zealous to maintain the liberty of conscience and the freedom of speech essential to sound public opinion. We ask them to face squarely the question of war and the responsibility of this generation to those who shall come after. For our part, we of the Religious Society of Friends pledge our-

selves to the venture of peace. We renounce all war; we dedicate ourselves to the way of trust and good-will; we accept the risks which this involves.

JOHN D. CARTER,
ELIZABETH B. JONES,

WILLIAM B. HARVEY,
Secretary.

Clerks.

Letter From Yearly Meeting Extension Committee.

THIRD MONTH 21, 1928.

TO ALL "YOUNG FRIENDS" OF PHILADELPHIA YEARLY MEETING,

Dear Friends:

The Extension Committee of the Yearly Meeting would like to believe that *all* members of our group, both older and younger are co-laborers in the cause of truth and right living, with particular loyalty to the ideals of the Society of Friends. We want to feel that irrespective of age, we all have the spirit of inquiry and the will to venture that belong in fuller measure to youth, but without which there would be no compelling vision or absorbing enterprise.

We have been considering the Report of the Young Friends' Committee as published in the Proceedings of the Yearly Meeting for 1927. We enclose a copy of the Report and ask that you read it in connection with this letter, especially from paragraph thirteen to the end.

We feel that your problems are our problems. Is it not true that the fact that disturbs us all is that we fall short of our ideals? If you want to "share Meeting responsibility," should you not attend meetings as regularly as practicable and in a loving spirit take part in the way that you feel is right? Thus only, perhaps, can the Meeting be brought more fully under the weight of great issues and a united concern.

Are you waiting for human appointment? That is not necessary to service. Perhaps under existing conditions you should not expect to be called upon in this way at the present time. Can we escape responsibility for individual initiative? The future of the Society of Friends was never more truly in the hands of its Young Friends than it is today.

Isn't the job of making good the name and reputation of Friends big enough to need all of us? These may be the days of renaissance for primitive Christianity. The spirit of the early Friends is needed if that early Christianity is to be popularized again. That spirit will be visible and vocal and influential wherever there are individuals with the grace and the grit to personify it.

We would urge you to keep informed regarding Friendly interests by reading regularly at least one of the weekly papers edited by Friends. We must know what is going on in the Society if we would contribute intelligently to the varied concerns and enterprises fostered by Friends. Such concerns should be yours as much as the responsibility of older people. Our tasks will be your tasks if they are to be accomplished. One is our Master, even Christ. Let us endeavor more earnestly to follow Him.

Should we not remember and practice Christ's habit of prayer, and recognize the importance He attached to His message. We want to pass on to you the concern expressed recently by our friend Rufus M. Jones that Friends should more actively cultivate the individual devotional life by daily prayer and study of the Scriptures. Let us give God a chance.

With loving esteem and appreciation of your loyalty to the Religious Society of Friends, we want to encourage you in continued faithfulness.

On behalf of the Extension Committee of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting,

RICHARD R. WOOD,
BENJAMIN F. WHITSON,
WILLIAM H. RICHIE.

Report of Committee to Examine Epistles.

To the Yearly Meeting:

Your Committee has received and examined Epistles from the following Yearly Meetings:—

(Belonging to the Five Years' Meeting)—New York, New England, Indiana, Western, Wilmington, Kansas, Nebraska, California, Canada, North Carolina and Baltimore;

(Belonging to the Friends' General Conference)—Philadelphia and Indiana;

(From the so-called Conservative Yearly Meetings)—New England and Iowa;

(From Friends over seas)—London Yearly Meeting, Dublin Yearly Meeting, German Yearly Meeting, General Meeting of Friends in Paris, General Meeting for Australia, Japan Yearly Meeting, and the Three Months' Meeting of Friends on Mt. Lebanon.

We have also received acknowledgments of the Epistle sent out by our last Yearly Meeting from the other Yearly Meetings of New York and North Carolina, from Vienna Friends, from the General Meeting of Scotland, and from the General Meeting of South Africa.

A letter from Robert L. and Margaret T. Simkin expressing warm appreciation of the cable sent them last year, and word that our Epistle sent to Szechwan Friends had proceeded as far as Shanghai, were also received.

Since time will not permit reading all, we have chosen four Epistles representing three groups of Friends on this continent and three from abroad, to read practically in full.

FROM PHILADELPHIA YEARLY MEETING

(Held at Fifteenth and Race Streets, Phila., Fifth Month 9th to 13th, 1927.)

TO PHILADELPHIA YEARLY MEETING (ARCH STREET)

Dear Friends:

“The past year has witnessed within our ranks notable progress in Friendly unity. Various individuals and

groups have realized a closer fellowship through sharing a common task and feeling a common desire to demonstrate Christ's way of life. This, which represents our Society at its best, has attracted to our ideals many who long for corporate fellowship with a group of like-minded persons. Such people form a potential Society of Friends—twentieth century Seekers. Like George Fox and the early Friends can we not bring them the message they crave? Can we not manifest in our separate meetings, and in our individual lives, loyalty to the Quaker ideals, which regard peace not as a theory but as a way of life, and recognizes freedom of speech as a liberating, clarifying experience? . . .

Our young people face a world full of increasing problems, among which those of race and class and government loom large. Where shall they turn for strength if their meetings fail them? Our Meetings for Worship should be the centre and source of our group-life. Unless we ourselves apply our spiritual experience to the biggest problems of life about us, we fail the new generation. We cannot urge our young people to heights we dare not climb ourselves. Together we must protest against the growing tendency to materialism.

The Society of Friends is in a state of crisis; in other periods of its history it has experienced other crises, out of which have come spiritual leadership and progress in truth. Society as a whole is in a crisis; having lost its hold upon God, it is like a ship without a pilot aimlessly drifting into troubled waters.

The present crisis must be met in a way adapted to the special needs of this age of fundamental change. Consecration of mind, heart and life are called for, so that the human family may be spiritually prepared to meet the problems that confront it.

Several of our members returning from world tours have brought to us from the Orient not only a challenge of service to these countries whose people are seeking new ways of self-expression, but also the inspiration they gained from contact with Gandhi—a great prophet of our time. We, like Gandhi, must individually give our

loyalty, not to the world that is, but to the world that ought to be.

Deeply conscious of the strong tie that unites us, we close our Epistle with the prayer that the blessing of our Heavenly Father may be upon you in the deliberations of your Yearly Meeting."

[Signed] GEORGE A. WALTON,
Clerk.

FROM BALTIMORE YEARLY MEETING, OF THE FIVE YEARS' MEETING:—

"Earnestly desiring the continuance and increase of the love which unites us in Christ Jesus, we send you, not as a formal custom but as sincere word from our hearts, this letter of greeting.

"Meeting, as we have, soon after the sessions of the Five Years' Meeting it is not strange that we have had it very much in our minds. Our Delegates have brought us welcome messages of the loving unity which brought agreement out of diversity of judgment, and we are very thankful for the assurance that our Heavenly Father is thus uniting our group for enlarged service. . . . The presence and services of your Fraternal Delegates contributed in no small degree to the life of these sessions, and we are very thankful for their coming.

"It has been impressed upon us at this time that facing new problems and new tasks will always be the lot of those who strive to follow the Spirit of Jesus. He is constantly calling us forward; and new revelations of the mind of Christ and new appreciations of the will of God for His children are given to those who will to do His will. . . . We should strive to keep in the van and to discover where in present-day affairs fresh interpretations of the mind of Christ are needed, where social customs at this time transgress the law of love. . . .

"The complexity of human relationships under present conditions constantly brings to the front new problems which demand for their right solution a clear understanding

of the principles set forth by Jesus Christ. The application of these principles will now, as in the past, run counter to popular ideas and practices. We may not draw to ourselves large numbers if we thus stem the current of modern life, but we may take courage in the assurance that power is in truth and not in numbers. . . .

“May you know the presence and power of our great Leader, not only as you are in annual assembly but down to the very last and smallest local meeting, that His name may be glorified. . . .”

[Signed] JOHN R. CARY,
Clerk.

FROM WESTERN YEARLY MEETING, INDIANA, OF THE
FIVE YEARS' MEETING:—

“Our gathering this year has been vitally refreshed by your greeting. So meaningful has become this relationship with you that our Yearly Meeting has this year committed itself definitely to regular annual correspondence with our beloved Friends in Philadelphia. We pray God's blessing upon this earnest communion with you, and are confident that any measure to promote fellowship and good-will between us can only result in mutual confidence and Christian brotherliness. We would welcome into our midst not only your correspondence, but whatever personal contact the Lord may direct you to pursue. . . .

“We have suggested to other Yearly Meetings in America that if we have a message for the world, we should bend greater efforts toward fortifying the home base of our denomination, without crystallizing any narrowness of sectarianism thereby. We feel that one cause for the decrease in the membership in the Society of Friends is the fact that in seeking new locations in other cities, our members seem to pay no attention to their church connections and associations. We would urge Friends to choose as new locations, whenever possible, communities or cities where they will be able to live and work among Friends. The task to which we are called demands the

united efforts of a group unhampered by smallness either of spiritual vision or of numbers.

“We have been encouraged in our sessions by the increased concern our membership seems to have in the united efforts of Friends. But there are so many bewildering tasks confronting us. We find the Christ in certain circumscribed areas, but far from covering the whole of life. We know that the Master labored and talked on the fundamental basis that love will always work—He took for granted that the ideal of love had already become the only and conclusive method. Have not Friends a supreme opportunity afforded them in these days of discontent, business whirl, and international confusion, to present the kind of life, that, with calm assurance and rock-grounded faith, finds the mercies of God through the salvation afforded by Jesus Christ adequate for life in all its complexity?

“We are confident that only by sitting in the very presence of God, with our minds open to the ‘still small voice’ can issue the poise and courageous faith for the tasks which confront the church these days. ‘Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled.’”

[Signed] ALBERT L. COPELAND,
Clerk.

FROM NEW ENGLAND YEARLY MEETING, HELD AT WEST-
ERLY, R. I.:

“We have been reminded in the sessions of this Yearly Meeting that our love to God, if it be worthy, must be fruitful in service to men.

“We who believe that our principles are of universal value and applicable to the changing conditions of modern life must make good our claim, keeping our consciences both tender and enlightened that we may perceive what are the implications of these ideals to which we have pledged ourselves. Let us strive to keep our spirits in such close communion with the Source of all Goodness

that we may be fully responsive to the demands of our high profession.

"The increasing disposition among employers to practice various forms of industrial democracy elicits our closest interest, pointing, as it seems to us, the way toward a practical application of our conviction that there is 'something of God in every man.' We urge Friends to study carefully all these attempts in the practice of Christian brotherhood. . . .

"Individually, an important mission for us is to interpret the Friendly point of view toward social problems in the various communities in which we live. Even though we may lack the companionship of people having our religious background we shall find the challenge the greater to live out the principles of the early Friends. In the unity developed through Christian service we shall find common ground with our neighbors.

"In this Meeting we have been earnestly counseled to develop our spiritual life. In silent communion we have been made aware that we have only begun to lay hold upon the power which might be ours. Only persistent desire for growth, and concentration upon the worship of God can give us inward calm and strength."

[Signed] HENRY H. PERRY,

Clerk.

FROM JAPAN YEARLY MEETING:—

"Your letter and the cablegram that came at the beginning of our sessions have given us a sense of entering into a larger life than is possible for us as a single group. We feel that we have companions in service across the sea, and that while details may be different, our task and our hope is one with yours. In your cablegram, you laid upon us the burden of prayer for China, and in a special sense we must bear it, although the critical situation in which the church there stands, calls for prayer from the whole world brotherhood. May we be faithful to it.

"We are thankful for the constructive efforts that are being made for international good-will. The coming of

the 'Friendship Dolls' has planted seeds of good-will in the hearts of children, and is therefore, we believe, one of the most effective of these efforts. Who knows but what it may have more far reaching results than the Naval Limitation Conference? But for this, too, we give thanks.

"One of the exercises of our sessions this year was an attempt to formulate a simple statement of faith—one which shall not be too binding on personal freedom, and which shall yet be a guide post to greater spiritual unity. A suggested statement was drawn up by the Meeting for Ministers and Elders and was submitted to the Yearly Meeting. After careful consideration and prayer, it was decided to postpone any decision in regard to it for another year. We were urged to spend the year in a real endeavor to understand the basis of our own faith, and to work out a statement of corporate faith which shall satisfy the deepest in every heart.

"The strength of Christians in Japan has been tested this year, by an attempt to pass a Religions Bill, putting a certain amount of control of religions in the hands of the Government. The Christian body felt this to be a dangerous step, and through the National Christian Council opposed the bill. There was opposition from Buddhist organizations also, but that of Christians was most effective, and contributed largely to the defeat of the Bill. Although small numerically, the Christian body showed at this time a strength unsuspected by itself, and has gained new courage and confidence for the future.

"In the task that is before us we need this courage. Old values must be torn down, and new values built into individual character and into society. We believe that this can be done only through the life and spirit of Jesus Christ and we desire to do all that is in our power to give Him to the rank and file of our countrymen. We believe there is no greater gift we can make. That we, and you, may experience Him more fully in the days to come, is our hope."

[Signed]

SEIJU HIRAKAWA,
MANSUKU NAKAMURA.

FROM THE GERMAN YEARLY MEETING:—

“The numerous messages and greetings which our young Yearly Meeting has received from all parts of the world show us how great is the number of Friends who are traveling the same road, and who are ready to share all our difficulties with us. We know that we need this friendship and love as we falteringly seek to follow the path along which the first Friends, in an incomparably more difficult time, walked joyfully and courageously, not to found a new sect, but to proclaim the message of the indwelling Christ. It has become clear to us that we can only proclaim this message if we are ready to help one another to overcome all that disturbs the effective power of our fellowship. For wherever Christ works creatively in us, unity can be realized.

“If religion is life, if religion cannot be taught, but only lived, then this message must also be lived. We are continually oppressed by the terrible inward and outward need of men, which makes it so difficult to allow this message to possess us. So long as the existing order regards such distress as inevitable, and even necessary, we must not grow weary in proclaiming the message that ‘God willeth that all men should be saved.’ We should be guided in this by the example of John Woolman, who never ceased to show that the will of God was opposed to the social order of his time. In these days when war is once more raging, when governments are again ready at any moment to send their fellow country-men to suffering and death, we have realized especially the deep significance of the international service. We urge Friends throughout the world to work together for the mutual understanding of the peoples.

“We appeal to our German Friends to open their eyes to the fact that our country, situated in the middle of Europe, is especially called to be a mediator among the peoples. . . . We need much faith and assurance in order to grow. . . .

Signed on behalf of the German Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends,”

HANS ALBRECHT,
Clerk.

For the first time we heard from our Friends in Paris—

“We have received this Whitsuntide with joy the messages of our Friends. In the course of our Assembly we have felt very livingly the unity of all in the spirit, and we have been conscious of the fulfillment of Christ’s promise that ‘where two or three are gathered together in My Name, there am I in the midst of them.’

“The world suffers today from lack of unity. In the religious realm and in the social realm spiritual unity is absent and the efforts to attain it often remove it yet farther because they act only superficially and externally.

“May the Source of all unity be for us the Spirit of Christ; may He impress upon us the mark by which His disciples are recognized, brotherly love; and may He give us the strength that is necessary for each, to labor, according to his particular situation and his special gifts, for the realization of this unity that the Kingdom of God may be established on earth.

“We salute all the Friends.

“On behalf of the Meeting,”

[Signed]

ANDRÉ MONTIGNY,
E. J. SUTTON,

Clerks.

Much of interest remains in the Epistles we cannot read in full.

SYRIAN FRIENDS write: “We desire to send a message of warm Christian greeting to Friends in your Yearly Meeting, and to express our appreciation of the interest shown by so many Friends in the United States in the work of our Society in Syria, particularly in the Orphanage at Ras-el-Metn, which has been largely maintained by American Friends.”

Several Epistles speak warmly of visits received. Nebraska welcomed Frederick J. Libby, and London—Walter and Olive R. Haviland, and Lloyd and Mary Balderston; while Australia writes: “We value much any news that comes from our American brethren, and

wish they could see their way to visit this out-post of Quakerism more frequently."

Friends' concern for Education frequently appears. The continued usefulness and growth of Wilmington College, Ohio; Whittier College, California; and the schools at Ras-el-Metn and Brumanna are spoken of.

CANADA YEARLY MEETING informs us of the reopening of Pickering College as an interdenominational residential school for boys.

KANSAS writes that Friends' University has successfully completed an endowment campaign that will meet the present needs of that institution.

NEBRASKA YEARLY MEETING writes: "We feel that our College (Nebraska Central College) has just finished the crowning year of its existence. An increased attendance in the college department, a growing interest shown by the city and surrounding country marked by the splendid way they have met the increasing financial needs this year, and the co-operation on the part of Friends, have given us encouragement. This Institution means much as a centre from which young men and women will go out with a clear vision of the worth-while tasks to be undertaken and accomplished by the church."

AUSTRALIA writes: "We feel with thankfulness that our school at Hobart, Tasmania, is holding aloft the great traditions of Quaker education and discipline, and training its scholars of all denominations to be able to follow the highest when they see it. We look upon this as our most practical piece of extension work."

And IRELAND: "At the sitting devoted to the subject of Education, we received encouraging reports from the schools under the care of Friends in Ireland and we feel much more hopeful as to the future of Quaker Education in this Country."

The religious life of our young people also gives deep concern.

WILMINGTON YEARLY MEETING writes: "We note a growing effort to minister in a constructive and adequate

manner to the religious needs of our children and young people. . . . We are too little aware of the complex world which our young people face, and we older Friends need a deepening of our spiritual experience to be able to help them to venture all for Christ."

And NEW YORK: "New York Yearly Meeting has met a month later than usual in pursuance of a concern that the Young Friends, free from school and college, might have opportunity to cheer and bless us, and in turn be cheered and blessed. And their response has justified this effort. . . . The presence of many Young Friends has called our collective conscience sharply to account. . . . We believe that they will find the final answer to their longings in the views and principles of Friends, but let us guard carefully against setting up as essential, views for which they are not prepared, or which they may not regard as the most important. These can be led into the Society as earnest convinced members or they can be driven into that large company who say, 'Yes, I had a dear sweet old grandmother who was a Quaker.'"

In almost every Epistle the subject of Peace is mentioned, with a growing realization that in it the whole question of the Social Order is involved.

NEW ENGLAND YEARLY MEETING writes: "Our gathering this year has deepened our concern to make our lives conform to the ways of the Kingdom of God. We are appalled by the greatness of the task of ridding the world of war; and we are increasingly conscious of elements imbedded in our social order inimicable to the spirit of love. Yet, while we would not deceive ourselves as to the extent of the forces of evil, we are encouraged to renewed effort by the reports of problems solved, and by the presence with us—though they are all too few—of newly convinced Friends whose earnestness shames our complacency."

And INDIANA: "We are convinced that if we are to find a satisfactory solution to the difficult and intricate problems of our American life, with its conflicting interests,

purposes, motives and philosophies, we must cherish, as did the early founders of our government, the fundamental rights of freedom of speech, the freedom of the press and the right of the people peaceably to assemble. . . . We would join with you in the abolition of modern forms of slavery, the entire removal of the traffic in alcoholic liquors as a beverage, and of the pagan method of trying to settle difficulties by war and bloodshed. These things are superseded when the spirit of Christ has the right of way in our hearts and lives, and He is calling us, as His followers, to demonstrate the way of love and good-will in our industrial, social, political and ecclesiastical relationships."

A spirit of awakened responsibility and renewed life seems evident as we give the following quotations to show:—

From LONDON: "During this Yearly Meeting we have seen something more of what we ought to be and do. We have seen the dawning of a new dedication for our Society and for every member of it. May there come that revealing which is born of devotion, that courage which comes of losing our selfhood in the living Christ."

From NEW YORK (Friends' General Conference): "Forgetting those things which are behind, we rejoice that God has so tendered all our hearts that you can send, and we can receive, a message of love and sympathy which has replaced old misunderstandings. The two New York Yearly Meetings will meet together in 1928; we hope for much good from this co-operation. We trust that the proposed All Friends' Conference will result in greater life and in deeper consecration to service for us all."

From IOWA, writing to us for the first time: "We rejoice that there is evidence of the dawning of a brighter day in the experiences of all branches of the Society of Friends."

From WILMINGTON: "We rejoice in the accomplishments of the past year, and we realize that His Divine Power has led us forward to greater things. We would not rest in self-satisfied complacency for the little that we have

accomplished, feeling that we are sufficiently equipped for the task before us, but we would view the situation honestly, realizing our failures, and conscious of a sense of our need, that His Spirit may lead and guide us into all truth. As we view the need of our own group and the crying needs of the world, we pray for a greater number of truly concerned Friends who, with insight of vision of the power of Christ in our lives, may lead us with that spirit of faith and venture, out of our selfishness into closer fellowship with Him, that in all our activities we may give to the world living messages of true Christianity."

As this last paragraph suggests, a deep sense of need accompanies that of responsibility, well expressed by—

CANADA YEARLY MEETING: "The age in which we live is in crying need of the choice souls who see visions, but visions are only for those who can get far enough out of their shells of self-satisfaction, indifference and prejudice to consider and to obey. . . . In the beginnings of the Society of Friends there was granted to her vision, and because of the will to obedience she was enabled to work mighty works in her day. Small in numbers and in wordly power, yet she strode forth from the ranks of the indifferent and self-seeking, making demands upon her time and strength in the name of God and of humanity.

"Today the Society of Friends again stands at the point of vision. The need of the world is just as great as it was three hundred years ago. The Master beckons from new Calvaries as He did then and once more obedience stands at the door of vision. Shall she break rank with the world and take the forward step? The world needs her to do so, and the Master commands. Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, let her once more declare her testimony, fling her challenge to the world, and challenge herself while challenging the world."

On behalf of the Committee,

HENRY J. CADBURY,
Chairman.

Letters Sent to Other Yearly Meetings and Groups

Third Month 27, 1928.

To the General Assembly of the Society of Friends, French Branch:

Dear Friends:

Your salutation and message to us have been read in our Meeting today. We feel, with you, the cementing Spirit of God's Love, which binds together in a living Church all those who are seeking to live by it, without regard to language, race or place of abode. Indeed, we are convinced that the universal and saving light of God is the ultimate foundation on which is to be built the newer and nobler Society of mankind. Messages from you and from the groups of Friends living in widely separated parts of the earth and under very different conditions bring to us convincing evidence that the same spirit that was manifested in Jesus Christ is still present in the hearts of men and women of good-will everywhere and that it is the Mission of the Society of Friends to seek it out; to call it into life; to make it articulate and the dominating influence in the relations among men.

It is our desire that Friends everywhere shall by their lives and conversation give living testimony to the communities where they live of the universal and underlying unity which binds together all mankind.

The spirit of the Society of Friends is the spirit of freedom, in which the soul is privileged to seek and serve God without intimidation and without limitation, save the limitation of Truth itself. Friends in America through many years have found the reality of this experience and we believe that you are finding the same.

We send to you, and to your members, and to those who worship with you, this message of deep personal interest and Christian love.

Signed in and on behalf of the Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends of Philadelphia and Vicinity, held Third Month 26, 1928.

Clerks.

Secretary.

Third Month 30, 1928.

To Our Friends, the Doukhobors in Canada:

Greetings:

This letter is sent to you from our annual meeting of between five and six hundred Friends (Quakers), in session at the old Meeting-house, at Fourth and Arch Streets, Philadelphia. It would give us great joy if some time some of you could attend this Yearly Meeting which begins each year on the last Second-day in Third Month.

Our thoughts go back to your immigration to America, when one of our members, Joseph S. Elkinton, met your first ship-load at Halifax. We are glad that his grandson, J. Passmore Elkinton and his son, were able to visit a few of your settlements last summer. Your messages sent to us by them have been delivered in our assembly.

We have heard about the sufferings of your forefathers for conscience' sake. Our forefathers likewise suffered for their religious principles.

We must both work hard to try to teach our fellowmen everywhere in the world that there is a Christ-way to live which does not permit any man to slay his brother. If anyone tells you that our Society of Friends (Quakers) supports war, please do not believe it, but allow us to send you our official literature which explains what we are trying to do to stop wars. We look forward to working hand in hand with you in future.

The great difficulties of education trouble us both. Your young people are growing up in a new country with many customs different from those of your ancestors. Our young people also often go away from home in search of education and employment.

We are thankful to report that a very large majority of our young people prove trustworthy. They adopt new customs, but they discover for themselves that God is eternal. They sincerely study the earthly life of Jesus Christ. They are determined to make this world a better community of human brotherhood. We believe your young people will be a credit to you and will preserve the splendid spiritual character which has come to your people in times past.

You could help us with your interest and your sympathy if you could visit us and we hope from year to year some ways may be found for members of our Society to visit you.

In Christian love your brothers,

Signed on behalf of the Religious Society of Friends of Philadelphia and Vicinity.

Clerks.

Secretary.

Third Month 30, 1928.

To Japan Yearly Meeting:

Dear Friends:

When your letter was read in our meeting, our hearts responded with a cordial feeling of fellowship, which drew us near to you in spirit. We rejoice to learn that the Christian body is gaining strength in Japan. Especially we congratulate you upon the recognition given to the Christian faith in the defeat of the Religions Bill. May you as Friends have a vital part to play in the new era of opportunity for the followers of Jesus Christ.

Your effort to express Quakerism in the form of a written statement brings to our minds the long process through which we ourselves recently passed as we tried to describe some of those experiences and convictions of the heart for which words are so inadequate. The attempt, however, brought mutual understanding and sympathy among our own members, which should enable

us better to show forth the way of Christ to others. We trust the same reward may be yours.

We are glad that the Japanese nation has shown so many evidences of constructive good-will in foreign affairs, including your relations with China. The very beautiful gift of dolls made by your people to our people, has been warmly appreciated, and our children now think of Japan, not as a story-book land, but as the home of their real little friends. We regret that we know so little of your spiritual and cultural background, and desire to learn in all ways, but especially through personal contacts, what are the sources of the greatness of the Japanese people. We are sure that the Orient has a great part to take in the interpretation of the message of Christ to men, and we rejoice that this contribution to the world's wealth of Christian thought and experience is beginning to be made. We desire to be one with you in openness to receive the truth from whatever source, and in following Christ without reserve in the great adventure of breaking down barriers of racial and national prejudice.

How inadequate our efforts have been, we realize only too well. The agitation for the increase of naval armament, the situation in Nicaragua, the friction growing out of prejudice against the Negro, and the economic inequality which now shows so glaringly in our coal industry, are all challenging us to action as followers of the Prince of Peace. We know the Church in Japan is facing similar problems. May we as Friends, and children of one Father, seek earnestly the Christlike way of life, and strive to find the Christlike solution for these social ills.

In His Spirit, we are your friends.

Signed on behalf of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends, held Fourth Month 26 to 30, 1928.

Clerks.

Secretary.

Third Month 30, 1928.

To Friends in All Lands:

Dear Friends:

“Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended, but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark, for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.” This is the spirit with which we would encourage one another and all Friends everywhere to face the days that lie before us.

We are fully aware of the world’s great needs,—its physical needs and its more urgent spiritual hunger. We believe that a great and difficult task awaits the hands of Christ’s followers, the translation of words into deeds, of principles into life, but the application of His teaching to the complex problems of society and even to our own personal conduct is a problem that not only challenges our courage but often confuses both old and young among us. When we compare the warnings of Jesus in regard to wealth with our own attitude toward it, we are uncomfortable, but when it comes to action we are honestly puzzled as to what we ought to do.

Once long ago truth was hidden from the wise and prudent and was revealed to babes. Are we too wise and prudent? Do we calculate too anxiously the immediate consequences of our actions forgetting that principle is the surest guide and that the most far reaching results are often beyond our knowing?

Do we live the kind of Christianity that made the founders of our Society a vital force? They affected the thought and institutions of their day. Our brief efforts during the war to live out some of the implications of our peace testimony gained for us a reputation which is unsustained by our present easy and acquiescent lives. Assuredly we are called to fresh forms of strenuous revolt against the shallowness, the materialism, the love of pleasure of our time, and against many of its standards of value or success.

We have seen the transforming power of Christ in history and in personal experience. We know that Christianity can change the world. But if Christians are to change it, they will have to renew their efforts towards a fresh and more convincing demonstration of the transforming power that we call love. Love is something more than outward service, important as that service is. It is an attitude, a spirit, from which all loving action flows. It regards every man with boundless faith and unquenchable hope. It sees him as a "vast reservoir of spiritual force, unused, undeveloped, perhaps even unborn, but waiting for liberation." It unites us with all others, making us feel that we are "inseparable elements of one another" so that when others hunger we hunger, when they thirst we thirst, when they are in prison we are in prison and when they rejoice we rejoice.

Here is our high calling. To think of it, to speak of it, to preach it, is one thing, an easy thing. But to live it is infinitely difficult. Assailed by the temptations of life and the pressure of the world about us, too often our faith falters, our convictions give way, our efforts relax. We compromise and conform. But for what are we united in the world as a Society of Friends if it is not to encourage one another to more triumphant faith and more persistent love? Let us lay aside every weight, suffering gladly if need be, knowing that only so can we experience the full joy of victorious love. And to whom shall we look for inspiration and strength if not to Him, who, when the forces of darkness and death seemed to be closing in about Him, rallied His followers with the message, "Be of good cheer, I have overcome the world"?

Signed by direction and on behalf of the Religious Society of Friends of Philadelphia and Vicinity, meeting at Fourth and Arch Streets, Third Month 26 to 30, 1928.

Clerks.

Secretary.

Report of Committee on Arrangements.

To the Yearly Meeting:

The Committee on Arrangements met three times and has given serious consideration to the specific matter referred to it a year ago, viz: the propriety of making some change in the date of beginning the sessions of the Yearly Meeting in order to be less hurried in caring for its affairs.

We recommend that the first business session should begin on Second-day morning, at 10 o'clock as heretofore; that it should conclude near the noon hour. The Nominating and other Committees can then meet unhurriedly, prior to an afternoon business session which we suggest should be held at 2 o'clock; adjourning near 4 o'clock, in time for Friends to attend 4.30 afternoon session of interests centering at Twelfth Street Meeting-house. Some-re-adjustment of these meetings has been effected.

Anticipating a discussion which is likely to arise in the Yearly Meeting, as to whether all the answers to the Queries, or only a portion of them, should be read therein, we feel that this matter should by no means be relegated to a place of secondary importance. We realize, however, that there is a wide difference of opinion among our members, some wishing to hear all answers read, others that the Queries should be answered only in our individual hearts.

After careful consideration, we recommend that the Clerks should be allowed to use their judgment in reading such of the Quarterly Meeting answers as they think will best contribute to the spiritual life of the Meeting.

For the Committee,

ISAAC P. MILLER,

Chairman.

Auditing Committee (Appropriations).

To the Yearly Meeting:

The Auditing Committee appointed last year met at the suggested time.

We recommend the granting of the following appropriations for this year:—

Secretary's Office.....	\$ 5,000.00
Book Store (not including rent).....	3,400.00
Representative Meeting:	
Rent.....	\$1,000.00
Printing Extracts and Other Ex-	
penses.....	1,000.00
	<hr/> \$ 2,000.00
Westtown Committee.....	7,500.00
Educational Committee.....	5,000.00
Indian Committee.....	5,000.00
Peace Committee.....	1,500.00
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	\$29,400.00

We recommend that the amount to be raised from quotas of the Quarterly Meetings for this year be \$27,000.00 and that \$2,400.00 of the income from the Anna Cresson Fund be appropriated for general expenses to make the total of \$29,400.00.

By direction and on behalf of the Auditing Committee,

JOHN B. NEWKIRK,

Chairman.

Philadelphia, Pa., Third Month, 20, 1928.

Report of the Auditing Committee.

To the Yearly Meeting:

We have examined the accounts of Jonathan M. Steere, Treasurer, for the fiscal year ending Third Month 15, 1928.

Vouchers or canceled checks in his possession correspond with the charges in the several accounts.

The total balance as of Third Month 15, 1928 was \$25,658.31. Of this amount \$2,000.00 was in the hands of the Secretary of the Yearly Meeting as a working

balance, and \$23,658.31 was on deposit with the Girard Trust Company and represented balances as follows:—

Uninvested Principal (all accounts).....\$ 1,481.16

Income:

General Account.....\$5,224.11

Anna Cresson Fund..... 3,537.24

Sarah Zane Fund..... 104.46

Lunch Fund..... 870.69

Secretary's Office..... 1,505.27

Book Committee..... 3,561.36

Trust Funds..... 7,352.52

Cataloging Records..... 21.50

—————\$23,658.31

In hands of Secretary of Yearly Meeting..... 2,000.00

—————\$25,658.31

JOHN B. NEWKIRK,
HENRY MARSHALL.

We have examined the securities belonging to the respective Trusts now in the hands of the Provident Trust Company, and have found them to agree with the list submitted to us, which we verified by comparing it with the list audited one year ago, and with changes made in the investments during the year.

EDWARD W. MARSHALL,
WILLIAM E. DARNELL.

Attached is a Summary of the Treasurer's Account for the year ending Third Month 15, 1928, as presented to the Committee.

Summary Account.

JONATHAN M. STEERE, TREASURER OF PHILADELPHIA YEARLY MEETING

For the Year Ending Third Month 15, 1928.

RECEIPTS.

Balances, Third Month 15, 1927, in hands of Treasurer:—

Principal. \$ 381.40

Income:

General Funds. 5,784.34

Anna Cresson Fund. 2,478.71

Sarah Zane Fund. 51.74

Lunch Fund. 727.69

Book Committee. 3,397.35

Secretary's Office. 1,243.88

Fund for Work of Cataloging

Records. 6.50

Trust Accounts. 11,056.85

—————\$25,128.46

In hands of Secretary of Yearly Meeting . . . 2,000.00

—————\$27,128.46

Quotas from Quarterly Meetings. 27,000.00

Amount Transferred from Anna Cresson Fund, for General

Expenses, as directed by Yearly Meeting of 1927 2,900.00

Other Income from Anna Cresson Fund. 1,117.82

Income from Sarah Zane Fund. 53.50

Investments Paid Off:

Ruth Anna Cope Fund. \$ 1,050.00

Jesse George Fund. 1,000.00

Peace Association. 1,000.00

Pemberton Fund. 7,805.00

—————\$10,855.00

Legacy from Estate of Elizabeth F. W. Russell, De-

ceased, for Mission Board. 1,543.26

Contributions for Work of Indexing Records. 625.00

Compensation for Searching Records. 15.00

Transactions of Book Committee, Including Operation
of Book Store:

Sale of Approved Books.....	\$ 630.81
Sale of Other Books.....	5,410.26
Sale of Pennsbury Series.....	237.62
Sale of Merchandise.....	342.94
Miscellaneous Sales.....	216.00
Tract Association of Friends, Proportionate Share of Expenses and Services of Agent at 302 Arch Street.....	320.00
	<hr/> \$ 7,157.63

Income from the Following Funds for Publication of
Friends' Writings:

R. A. Cope.....	\$ 220.83
Jesse George.....	290.50
E. C. Jones.....	50.00
M. A. Lloyd.....	26.18
A. Oleson.....	47.00
H. Sansom.....	445.00
E. Roberts.....	64.00
W. P. Townsend.....	29.10
	<hr/> \$ 1,172.61

Income from the Following Trust Funds:

Peace Association Fund.....	\$ 190.80
Charleston Fund.....	565.50
Pemberton Fund.....	2,508.38
Marshall and Johnson Fund.....	142.50
Samuel S. Thompson Fund.....	27.50
Mission Board.....	780.00
C. L. Willitts Fund.....	509.00
	<hr/> \$ 4,723.68
Sundry Cash Receipts.....	85.30
Interest on Bank Balances of General Funds.....	385.52
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	\$84,762.78

PAYMENTS.

Appropriations Made by Yearly Meeting of 1927:

Westtown Committee.....	\$ 7,500.00
Indian Committee.....	5,000.00
Committee on Education.....	5,000.00
Peace Committee.....	1,500.00
	—————\$19,000.00

Investments:

Jesse George Fund.....	\$ 976.25
Peace Association.....	1,027.00
Pemberton Fund.....	12,748.94
Mission Board.....	1,513.25
	—————\$16,265.44

Charleston Fund, Repairs and Improvements to Meeting Houses.....	550.00
Rent of 302 Arch Street and Use of Committee Rooms and Meeting-house by Yearly Meeting and Representative Meeting and Committees thereof	1,000.00
Federation of Churches, Appropriation Authorized by Minute of Representative Meeting.....	50.00
Printing, Traveling, Clerical and Miscellaneous Expenses.	1,071.98
Pemberton Fund, Traveling Expenses of Friends.....	2,179.52

Office of Secretary of Yearly Meeting:

Salaries.....	\$ 4,200.00
Rent.....	240.00
Liability Insurance.....	5.59
Office Supplies, Postage, Travel and Incidentals.....	427.34
	—————\$ 4,872.93
Yearly Meeting Lunches.....	360.00
Indexing Records.....	1,350.00
Treasurer of Peace Association of Friends.....	163.25
Treasurer of New Garden Monthly Meeting, Income from Samuel S. Thompson Fund.....	24.12
Treasurer of Indian Committee, Income from Marshall and Johnson Fund.....	140.36
Treasurer of Mission Board.....	737.65

Willits Trust, Publishing and Distributing "The Africans' Friend":

Southern States.....	\$ 296.61	
Liberia.....	298.92	
	<hr/>	\$ 595.53

Transactions of Book Committee, Including Operation of Book Store:

Publications Authorized by Book Committee.....	\$ 1,473.88	
Publications Distributed Free by Book Store.....	1,250.63	
Salaries.....	3,180.00	
Insurance.....	31.87	
Books Purchased for Re-sale.....	4,064.30	
Merchandise Purchased.....	161.73	
Contributions for Work of American Friends' Service Committee.....	125.00	
Pennsbury Series.....	7.63	
Tract Association.....	200.00	
	<hr/>	\$10,495.04
Accrued Interest on Investments Purchased.....		93.04
Commissions to The Provident Trust Company for All Accounts.....		155.61
Balances, Third Month 15, 1928, in Hands of Treasurer:		
Principal (all accounts).....	\$ 1,481.16	
Income:		
General Account.....	5,224.11	
Anna Cresson Fund.....	3,537.24	
Sarah Zane Fund.....	104.46	
Lunch Fund.....	870.69	
Secretary's Office.....	1,505.27	
Book Committee.....	3,561.36	
Trust Funds.....	7,352.52	
Cataloging Records.....	21.50	
	<hr/>	\$23,658.31
In Hands of Secretary of Yearly Meeting..	2,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$25,658.31
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		\$84,762.78

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